

football



2008



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VERNON GHOLSTON
NO.6 OVERALL DRAFT PICK - 2008



364

Ohio State products
have played in the
National Football League

67

Buckeyes were first-
round NFL draft picks

42

Ohio State alums have
had the ultimate NFL
experience – playing in
the Super Bowl



Will Allen



Ted Ginn, Jr.



Anthony Gonzalez



A.J. Hawk



Santonio Holmes



Orlando Pace



Will Smith



Mike Vrabel



Donte Whitner



Antoine Winfield

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THE OHIO STATE BUCKEYES

14



OHIO STATE LEGENDS

150



GAME DAY

174



[DIRECTORY]

Mailing Address

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Department of Athletics
410 Woody Hayes Dr.
Columbus, OH 43210

Athletics Department

Phone Numbers (Area Code 614)

Director of Athletics..... 292-7572
Athletics Business Office..... 292-8806
Athletics Communications..... 292-6861
Athletics Compliance..... 292-2681
Athletics Development..... 292-9908
Athletics Marketing..... 292-3672
Athletics Tickets..... 292-2624

Football Phone Numbers

Football Office..... 292-2531
Coach Tressel's Secretary..... 292-7620
Football Conditioning..... 292-3536
Football Training Room..... 292-1164
Ohio Stadium Press Box..... 292-1812

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Location..... Columbus, Ohio
Population..... 1.5 million
Founded..... 1870
Joined Big Ten..... 1912
First Year of Big Ten Football..... 1913
Enrollment..... 47,952
Nickname..... Buckeyes
Colors..... Scarlet and Gray
Marching Band..... The Ohio State University Marching Band – “TBDBITL”
Director of Athletics..... Gene Smith
Senior Woman Administrator..... Michelle Willis
Faculty Representative..... John Bruno
Director of Football Communication..... Shelly Poe
Director of Football Communication Office Phone..... 614-247-7023
Director of Football Communication Cell Phone..... 614-678-2034
Director of Football Communication Fax..... 614-292-8547
Press Box Phone..... 614-292-1812
Ticket Office Phone..... 614-292-2624
Website..... OhioStateBuckeyes.com

FOOTBALL HISTORY

First Year of Football..... 1890
All-Time Record (Years)..... 798-32-54 (118)
All-Time Big Ten Record (Years)..... 443-188-24 (95)
Number of Big Ten Championships (Last)..... 32 (2007)
All-Time Bowl Record..... 18-20
Number of National Championships (Years)..... 7
(1942, 1954, 1957, 1961, 1968, 1970, 2002)
First-team All-Americans..... 181
Heisman Trophy winners..... 7
Lombardi Award winners..... 5
Outland Trophy winners..... 4
First-Team All-Big Ten Selections..... 345

TEAM FACTS

Head Coach..... Jim Tressel
Alma Mater, Year..... Baldwin-Wallace, 1975
Year as Head Coach at Ohio State..... 8th year
Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line..... Jim Bollman
Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Line..... Jim Heacock
Co-Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers..... Luke Fickell
Assistant Head Coach/Wide Receivers..... Darrell Hazell
Tight Ends/Recruiting Coordinator..... John Peterson
Quarterbacks/Passing Game Coordinator..... Joe Daniels
Running Backs..... Dick Tressel
Cornerbacks..... Taver Johnson
Safeties..... Paul Haynes
Offensive Formation..... Multiple
Defensive Formation..... 4-3
Total No. of Starters Returning..... 20
Offense, Defense, Special Teams..... 9, 9, 2
Total No. of Starters Lost..... 4
Offense, Defense, Special Teams..... 2, 2, 0
Total No. of Letterwinners Returning..... 52
Total No. of Letterwinners Lost..... 14
2007 Overall Record..... 11-2
2007 Big Ten Record/Finish..... 7-1 (1st)

STADIUM INFORMATION

Name..... Ohio Stadium
Capacity..... 102,329
Surface..... Field Turf
Largest Crowd/Opponent/Year..... 105,708 vs. Michigan, 2006
Team Record at Home Stadium..... 379-105-20

[OHIO STATE] depth chart

» OFFENSE

LT	75	Alex Boone	6-8	312	Sr.
	73	Josh Kerr	6-4	286	So.
LG	71	Steve Rehring	6-7	345	Sr.
	67	Kyle Mitchum	6-3	291	Sr.
C	64	Jim Cordle	6-4	297	Jr.
	66	Andrew Moses	6-3	280	Jr.
RG	63	Ben Person	6-3	323	Sr.
	77	Connor Smith	6-4	321	So.
RT	70	Bryant Browning	6-4	312	So.
	68	Evan Blankenship	6-3	290	Fr.
	65	D.R. Ebner	6-3	271	Sr.
TE	88	Rory Nicol	6-5	252	Sr.
	86	Jake Ballard	6-6	256	Jr.
	87	Brandon Smith	6-2	251	Sr.
WR	80	Brian Robiskie	6-3	199	Sr.
	5	Taurian Washington	6-2	179	So.
WR	9	Brian Hartline	6-2	186	Jr.
	12	Dane Sanzenbacher	5-11	175	So.
QB	17	Todd Boeckman	6-4	244	Sr.
	14	Joe Bauserman	6-2	220	So.
TB	28	Chris Wells	6-1	237	Jr.
	34	Maurice Wells	5-10	196	Sr.
	3	Brandon Saine	6-1	217	So.
FB	49	Ryan Lukens	6-0	238	Sr.
	48	Spencer Smith	6-2	225	Fr.

» SPECIALISTS

P	15	A.J. Trapasso	6-0	229	Sr.
	48	Jon Thoma	6-2	201	Jr.
K	85	Ryan Pretorius	5-9	169	Sr.
	20	Aaron Pettrey	6-2	199	Jr.
LS	96	Jake McQuaide	6-2	219	So.
H	48	Jon Thoma	6-2	201	Jr.
	15	A.J. Trapasso	6-0	229	Sr.
PR	80	Brian Robiskie	6-3	199	Sr.
	4	Ray Small	5-1	180	Jr.
	9	Brian Hartline	6-2	186	Jr.
KR	34	Maurice Wells	5-10	196	Sr.
	4	Ray Small	5-11	180	Jr.
	20	Anderson Russell	6-0	205	Jr.

» DEFENSE

DT	84	Doug Worthington	6-6	276	Jr.
	93	Nader Abdallah	6-4	300	Sr.
DT	92	Todd Denlinger	6-2	292	Jr.
	72	Dexter Larimore	6-2	300	So.
	69	Bryan Gray	6-2	285	Sr.
DE	87	Lawrence Wilson	6-4	274	Jr.
	90	Thaddeus Gibson	6-2	240	So.
DE	97	Cameron Heyward	6-6	287	So.
	57	Tom Ingham	6-1	243	Jr.
WLB	1	Marcus Freeman	6-1	239	Sr.
	51	Ross Homan	6-0	229	So.
MLB	33	James Laurinaitis	6-3	240	Sr.
	38	Austin Spitler	6-3	234	Jr.
SLB	55	Curtis Terry	6-1	229	Sr.
	26	Tyler Moeller	6-0	216	So.
FS	20	Anderson Russell	6-0	205	Jr.
	8	Aaron Gant	6-0	194	So.
SS	4	Kurt Coleman	5-11	188	Jr.
	3	Jamario O'Neal	6-0	205	Sr.
CB	4	Chimdi Chekwa	6-0	188	So.
	20	Donald Washington	6-0	194	Jr.
CB	2	Malcolm Jenkins	6-1	201	Sr.
	32	Eugene Clifford	6-2	191	So.

[2008 SCHEDULE]

Aug. 30 Youngstown State	Oct. 11 Purdue
Sept. 6 Ohio University	Oct. 18 at Michigan State
Sept. 13 at Southern California	Oct. 25 Penn State*
Sept. 20 Troy	Nov. 8 at Northwestern
Sept. 27 Minnesota	Nov. 15 at Illinois
Oct. 4 at Wisconsin	Nov. 22 Michigan

*Homecoming

2007 OHIO STATE RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Sep 1, 2007	YOUNGSTOWN STATE	W	38-6
Sep 8, 2007	AKRON	W	20-2
Sep 15, 2007	at Washington	W	33-14
Sep 22, 2007	NORTHWESTERN*	W	58-7
Sep 29, 2007	at Minnesota*	W	30-7
Oct 06, 2007	at Purdue*	W	23-7
Oct 13, 2007	KENT STATE	W	48-3
Oct 20, 2007	MICHIGAN STATE*	W	24-17
Oct 27, 2007	at Penn State*	W	37-17
Nov 3, 2007	WISCONSIN*	W	38-17
Nov 10, 2007	ILLINOIS*	L	21-28
Nov 17, 2007	at Michigan*	W	14-3
Jan 7, 2008	vs LSU	L	24-38

* indicates conference game

» STARTERS LOST

OFFENSE

OT	Kirk Barton
FB	Dionte Johnson

DEFENSE

DE	Vernon Gholston
LB	Larry Grant

2008 OHIO STATE **bucks**

No.	Name	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wg.	Cl/Elg	Hometown/High School or J.C.	Major
1	Marcus Freeman***	93	Nader Abdallah*	DL	6-4	300	5th/Sr.	Metairie, La./Archbishop Rummel	Family Resource Mgmt.
1	Dan Herron	74	Mike Adams	OL	6-8	322	Fr/Fr.	Dublin, Ohio/Dublin Coffman	Undecided
2	Malcolm Jenkins***	13	Andre Amos**	DB	6-1	183	Sr/Jr.	Middletown, Ohio/Middletown	African-Amer.Studies
2	Terrelle Pryor	86	Jake Ballard**	TE	6-6	256	Jr/Jr.	Springboro, Ohio/Springboro	Undecided
3	Jamario O'Neal***	12	Devin Barclay	K	5-11	195	Jr/So.	Annapolis, Md./ McDonogh	Hospitality Mgmt.
3	Brandon Saine*	14	Joe Bauserman	QB	6-2	220	So/Fr.	Strasburg, Va. /Lincoln	Fisheries & Wildlife
4	Kurt Coleman**	68	Evan Blankenship	OL	6-3	290	So/Fr.	Monaca, Pa./Center Area	Mgmt. & Industry
4	Ray Small*	17	Todd Boeckman*	QB	6-4	244	5th/Sr.	St. Henry, Ohio/St. Henry	Graduate
5	Chimdi Chekwa*	75	Alex Boone***	OL	6-8	312	Sr/Sr.	Lakewood, Ohio/St. Edwards	History
5	Taurian Washington	50	Mike Brewster	OL	6-5	296	Fr/Fr.	Orlando, Fla./Edgewater	Communication
6	Etienne Sabino	70	Bryant Browning*	OL	6-4	312	Jr/So.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	Business Admin.
6	Grant Schwartz*	5	Chimdi Chekwa*	DB	6-0	188	Jr/So.	Clermont, Fla./East Ridge	Biology
7	Jrmale Hines*	46	K.C. Christian	RB	5-11	209	Jr/So.	Kitts Hill, Ohio/Rock Hill	Physical Education
7	Lamaar Thomas	32	Eugene Clifford	DB	6-2	191	So/Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Colerain	Mgmt. & Industry
8	Aaron Gant**	4	Kurt Coleman**	DB	5-11	188	Jr/Jr.	Dayton, Ohio/Northmont	Sport & Leisure
8	DeVier Posey	64	Jim Cordle**	OL	6-4	297	Sr/Jr.	Lancaster, Ohio/Lancaster	Marketing
9	Brian Hartline*	81	Ricky Crawford	WR	6-2	215	Jr/So.	Lewis Center, Ohio/Olentangy	Education
9	Rob Rose**	35	Bo DeLande	RB	6-0	184	So/Fr.	Hilliard, Ohio/Hilliard Davidson	Undecided
10	Devon Torrence	92	Todd Denlinger**	DL	6-2	292	Sr/Jr.	Troy, Ohio/Troy	Construction Systems
11	James Scott*	81	Nic DiLillo	TE	6-5	237	Fr/Fr.	Madison, Ohio/Madison	Undecided
11	Jake Stoneburner	16	Zach Domicone	DB	6-3	215	Fr/Fr.	Xenia, Ohio/Beavercreek	Undecided
12	Devin Barclay	65	D.R. Ebner	OL	6-3	271	5th/Sr.	Hershey, Pa./Hershey	Exercise Science
12	Dane Sanzenbacher*	30	Donnie Evege	DB	5-11	189	So/Fr.	Huber Heights, Ohio/Wayne	Business Admin.
13	Andre Amos**	1	Marcus Freeman***	LB	6-1	239	5th/Sr.	Huber Heights, Ohio/Wayne	Graduate
13	Ben Kacsandi	8	Aaron Gant**	DB	6-0	194	Jr/Jr.	Detroit, Mich./St. Mary's	Mgmt. & Industry
14	Joe Bauserman	33	Joe Gantz	RB	6-0	199	Sr/Jr.	Wooster, Ohio/Wooster	Biology
14	Nate Oliver	24	Tyson Gentry	P	6-2	165	5th/Sr.	Sandusky, Ohio/Perkins	Speech & Hearing
15	Kyle Ruhl	90	Thaddeus Gibson*	DL	6-2	240	Jr/So.	Euclid, Ohio/Euclid	Undecided
15	A.J. Trapasso**	53	Garrett Goebel	DL	6-5	280	Fr/Fr.	Villa Park, Ill./Montini	Undecided
16	Zach Domicone	69	Bryan Gray	DL	6-2	285	5th/Sr.	Antwerp, Ohio/Antwerp	Zoology
16	Ryan Schuck	9	Brian Hartline**	WR	6-2	186	Sr/Jr.	North Canton, Ohio/GlenOak	Communication
17	Todd Boeckman*	1	Dan Herron	RB	5-10	193	So/Fr.	Warren, Ohio/Harding	Communication
18	Travis Howard	97	Cameron Heyward*	DL	6-6	287	So/So.	Suwanee, Ga./Peachtree Ridge	Undecided
19	Orhian Johnson	7	Jermale Hines*	LB	6-2	210	So/So.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	Communication
20	Aaron Pettrey**	51	Ross Homan*	LB	6-0	229	Jr/So.	Coldwater, Ohio/Coldwater	Business Admin.
20	Donald Washington**	18	Travis Howard	DB	6-1	180	Fr/Fr.	Miami, Fla./Dr. Krop	Undecided
21	Anderson Russell**	53	Patrick Howe	LS	6-2	204	Jr/So.	Cincinnati, Ohio/St. Xavier	Mgmt. & Industry
23	Nick Patterson***	89	Garrett Hummel	WR	5-11	183	Jr/So.	Shelby, Ohio/Shelby	Actuarial Science
24	Tyson Gentry	57	Tom Ingham	DL	6-1	243	Sr/Jr.	Centerville, Ohio/Centerville	Mechanical Engineering
24	Marcus Williams*	41	Tony Jackson	LB	5-11	227	So/Fr.	Columbus, Ohio/Westland	Business Admin.
25	Rocco Pentello	2	Malcolm Jenkins***	DB	6-1	201	Sr/Sr.	Piscataway, N.J./Piscataway	Communication
26	Tyler Moeller*	44	Mark Johnson	DL	6-3	250	Jr/So.	Los Angeles, Calif./Dorsey	Mgmt. & Industry
28	Chris Wells**	19	Orhian Johnson	DB	6-2	178	Fr/Fr.	Gulfport, Fla./Boca Ciega	Undecided
29	Shaun Lane***	13	Ben Kacsandi	WR	6-1	209	5th/Sr.	Wooster, Ohio/Wooster	Biology
30	Donnie Evege	73	Josh Kerr	OL	6-4	286	Jr/So.	Strongsville, Ohio/Strongsville	Sport & Leisure
32	Eugene Clifford	29	Shaun Lane***	DB	5-10	175	5th/Sr.	Hubbard, Ohio/Hubbard	Family Resource Mgmt.
33	Joe Gantz	72	Dexter Larimore*	DL	6-2	300	Jr/So.	Merrillville, Ind./Merrillville	Finance
33	James Laurinaitis***	46	J.D. Larson	TE	6-4	229	Sr/Sr.	Ventura, Calif./Ventura	Family Resource Mgmt.
34	Maurice Wells***	33	James Laurinaitis***	LB	6-3	240	Sr/Sr.	Hamel, Minn./Wayzata	Communication
35	Bo DeLande	49	Ryan Lukens*	RB	6-0	238	5th/Sr.	Lebanon, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller	Animal Science
36	Brian Rolle*	57	Chris Malone	OL	6-1	268	Jr/So.	Gahanna, Ohio/Lincoln	Biology
38	Austin Spitler**	41	Jermil Martin	RB	6-0	227	Fr/Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	Undecided
39	Nathan Williams	96	Jake McQuaide	LS	6-2	219	Jr/So.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Elder	Engineering
41	Tony Jackson	55	Andrew Miller	OL	6-6	279	Jr/So.	Washington, Pa./Trinity	Consumer Affairs
41	Jermil Martin								

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wg.	Cl/Elg	Hometown/High School or J.C.	Major
67	Kyle Mitchum*	OL	6-3	291	5th/Sr.	Erie, Pa./McDowell	Family Resource Mgmt.
96	Willie Mobley	DL	6-3	265	Fr/Fr.	Eden Prairie, Minn./Eden Prairie	Undecided
26	Tyler Moeller*	LB	6-0	216	Jr/Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Colerain	Undecided
66	Andrew Moses	OL	6-3	280	Sr/Jr	Dublin, Ohio/Bishop Watterson	Political Science
88	Rory Nicol***	TE	6-5	252	5th/Sr.	Beaver, Pa./Beaver Area	Family Resource Mgmt.
14	Nate Oliver	DB	6-0	215	So/Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio/St. Edward	Sport & Leisure
3	Jamario O'Neal***	DB	6-0	205	Sr/Sr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	African-Amer. Studies
23	Nick Patterson***	DB	6-1	209	5th/Sr.	St. Louis, Mo./Hazelwood Central	Operations Mgmt.
25	Rocco Pentello	DB	6-0	194	So/Fr.	Westerville, Ohio/South	Undecided
63	Ben Person***	OL	6-3	323	5th/Sr.	Xenia, Ohio/Xenia	Family Resource Mgmt.
20	Aaron Pettrey**	K	6-2	199	Sr/Jr.	Raceland, Ky./Raceland-Worthington	Sport & Leisure
8	DeVier Posey	WR	6-3	205	Fr/Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/LaSalle	Undecided
83	Dan Potokar	WR	6-0	180	Sr/Jr.	Grove City, Ohio/Grove City	Family Resource Mgmt.
85	Ryan Pretorius**	K	5-9	169	5th/Sr.	Durban, South Africa/Westville Boys	Marketing
2	Terrelle Pryor	QB	6-6	235	Fr/Fr.	Jeannette, Pa./Jeannette	Undecided
71	Steve Rehring***	OL	6-7	335	5th/Sr.	West Chester, Ohio/Lakota West	Graduate
80	Brian Robiskie***	WR	6-3	199	Sr/Sr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Chagrin Falls	Marketing
36	Brian Rolle*	LB	5-11	221	So/So.	Immokalee, Fla./Immokalee	Education
9	Rob Rose**	DL	6-5	285	Jr/Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	African-Amer. Studies
91	Shawntel Rowell	DL	6-4	304	Fr/Fr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	Undecided
15	Kyle Ruhl	WR	6-1	164	5th/Sr.	Powell, Ohio/Dublin Coffman	Family Resource Mgmt.
21	Anderson Russell**	DB	6-0	205	Sr/Jr.	Atlanta, Ga./Marist	Communication
6	Etienne Sabino	LB	6-3	232	Fr/Fr.	Sunny Isles, Fla./Dr. Krop	Undecided
3	Brandon Saine*	RB	6-1	217	So/So.	Piqua, Ohio/Piqua	Business Admin.
12	Dane Sanzenbacher*	WR	5-11	175	So/So.	Toledo, Ohio/Central Catholic	Business Admin.
16	Ryan Schuck	WR	6-0	204	Sr/Jr.	Selinsgrove, Pa./Selinsgrove Area	Exercise Science
6	Grant Schwartz*	WR	6-0	194	Jr/Sr.	Dana Hills, Calif./Dana Hills	Undecided
11	James Scott*	DB	5-10	170	So/So.	Daytona Beach, Fla./Seabreeze	Undecided
76	J.B. Shugarts	OL	6-8	298	Fr/Fr.	Klein, Texas/Klein	Family Resource Mgmt.
72	Scott Sika	OL	6-2	280	Jr/Sr.	Strongsville, Ohio/Strongsville	Education
79	Jon Skinner**	OL	6-5	306	5th/Sr.	Mt. Carmel, Pa./Mt. Carmel Area	Finance
69	Zach Slagle	OL	6-1	297	Jr/Sr.	Canton, Ohio/McKinley	Human Development
82	Ray Small*	WR	5-11	180	Jr/Jr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	Human Development
87	Brandon Smith***	TE	6-2	251	5th/Sr.	Euclid, Ohio/Euclid	Family Resource Mgmt.
77	Connor Smith*	OL	6-4	321	Jr/Sr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Colerain	Undecided
48	Spencer Smith	FB	6-2	225	So/Fr.	Cincinnati, Ohio/Colerain	Undecided
38	Austin Spitler**	LB	6-3	234	Sr/Jr.	Bellbrook, Ohio/Bellbrook	Communication
11	Jake Stoneburner	WR	6-5	230	Fr/Fr.	Dublin, Ohio/Dublin Coffman	Undecided
42	Andrew Sweat	LB	6-2	220	Fr/Fr.	Washington, Pa./Trinity	Undecided
55	Curtis Terry***	LB	6-1	229	5th/Sr.	Cleveland, Ohio/Glenville	African-Amer. Studies
48	Jon Thoma*	P	6-2	201	Sr/Jr.	Alliance, Ohio/St. Thomas Aquinas	Communication
7	Lamaar Thomas	WR	5-11	186	Fr/Fr.	Ft. Washington, Md./Friendly	Undecided
98	Solomon Thomas	DL	6-5	240	So/Fr.	West Chester, Ohio/Lakota West	Undecided
10	Devon Torrence	WR	6-1	193	So/So.	Canton, Ohio/South	Undecided
15	A.J. Trapasso**	P	6-0	229	5th/Sr.	Pickerington, Ohio/Pickerington	Political Science
20	Donald Washington**	DB	6-0	194	Sr/Jr.	Indianapolis, Ind./Franklin Central	Communication
5	Taurian Washington	WR	6-2	179	So/So.	Orchard Lake, Mich./St. Mary's	Communication
28	Chris Wells**	RB	6-1	237	Jr/Jr.	Akron, Ohio/Garfield	Undecided
94	Keith Wells	DL	6-5	210	Fr/Fr.	Gainesville, Ga./Gainesville	Undecided
34	Maurice Wells***	RB	5-10	196	Sr/Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla./Sandalwood	Communication
24	Marcus Williams*	RB	5-10	202	Sr/Jr.	Ironton, Ohio/Ironton	Health Sciences
39	Nathan Williams	DL	6-4	245	Fr/Fr.	Washington C.H., Ohio/Miami Trace	Undecided
87	Lawrence Wilson**	DL	6-4	274	Sr/Jr.	Akron, Ohio/St. Vincent-St. Mary	Communication
84	Doug Worthington*	DL	6-6	276	Sr/Jr.	Athol Springs, N.Y./Saint Francis	Communication
42	Andrew Sweat						
43	Aram Olson						
44	Mark Johnson						
46	K.C. Christian						
46	J.D. Larson						
48	Spencer Smith						
48	Jon Thoma*						
49	Ryan Lukens*						
50	Mike Brewster						
51	Ross Homan*						
53	Garrett Goebel						
53	Patrick Howe						
55	Andrew Miller						
55	Curtis Terry***						
57	Tom Ingham						
57	Chris Malone						
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68	Evan Blankenship						
69	Bryan Gray						
69	Zach Slagle						
70	Bryant Browning*						
71	Steve Rehring***						
72	Dexter Larimore*						
72	Scott Sika						
73	Josh Kerr						
74	Mike Adams						
75	Alex Boone***						
76	J.B. Shugarts						
77	Connor Smith*						
79	Jon Skinner**						
80	Brian Robiskie***						
81	Ricky Crawford						
81	Nic DiLillo						
83	Dan Potokar						
84	Doug Worthington*						
85	Ryan Pretorius**						
86	Jake Ballard**						
87	Brandon Smith***						
87	Lawrence Wilson**						
88	Rory Nicol***						
89	Garrett Hummel						
90	Thaddeus Gibson*						
91	Shawntel Rowell						
92	Todd Denlinger**						
93	Nader Abdallah*						
94	Keith Wells						
95	Chris Rietschlin						
96	Jake McQuaide						
96	Willie Mobley						
97	Cameron Heyward*						
98	Solomon Thomas						

*Indicates number of varsity letters earned

offens

[OHIO STATE]

With proven weapons like Beanie and Mo Wells, Brian Robiskie and Brian Hartline, Todd Boeckman and kicker Ryan Pretorius, along with an experienced offensive line, the Buckeye offense is as productive as it is versatile.



todd boeckman

>> Todd Boeckman and the Buckeyes led the Big Ten in passing efficiency in 2007. The first team all-Big Ten quarterback threw for 25 touchdowns in his first season as a starter.



alex boone

>> All-America tackle Alex Boone, a top contender for the Outland Trophy, is one of four returning starters on an offensive line that dominated the Big Ten last season.

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>> **chris wells**

The nation's most powerful rusher, All-American Chris "Beanie" Wells accounted for 1,609 yards in 2007, including a record 222 in the win over Michigan.

>> **jim bollman**

Offensive coordinator Jim Bollman tutors an Ohio State offense that has produced 26 NFL draft picks (five of them first-rounders) in the past seven seasons.

**brian hartline**

>> Brian Hartline caught 52 passes and six scores last season, and ranked second among all punt returners in the Big Ten.

>> **dexter larimore**

Punishing, tenacious and relentless, the Ohio State defense upholds the Silver Bullet tradition.

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>> **jim heacock**

Defensive coordinator Jim Heacock coached the Buckeyes to the nation's best ranking in total and scoring defense, allowing less than 13 points and 233 yards per game.



marcus freeman

>> Linebacker Marcus Freeman, a three-year starter, led the physical Buckeyes in solo tackles last season.

[OHIO STATE] Defense



The aggressive defensive front, which lost top-six draft pick Vernon Gholston to the New York Jets, accounted for 23 sacks and 42 TFL in 2007.



james laurinitis



malcolm jenkins

» Senior James Laurinaitis, a two-time All-American who has already won the Butkus and Nagurski Awards, was a finalist for five national honors in 2007.

» All-America corner Malcolm Jenkins, the leading contender for the Thorpe Award, is a rare four-year starter at Ohio State.



ncaa compliance

[REGULATIONS]

» The Ohio State University Athletics Compliance Office is committed to a comprehensive compliance program that educates everyone about the importance of adhering to NCAA, Big Ten, and institutional rules. We strive to create a “compliance conscience” within the university and throughout the community.

The commitment to compliance ensures institutional control over the department of athletics and furthers the mission of The Ohio State University. The existence of a successful compliance program depends on the willingness of coaches, administrators, staff, student-athletes and boosters to be cognizant of NCAA, Big Ten and institutional rules.

WHAT IS COMPLIANCE?

At Ohio State, the athletics compliance office works within the department of athletics and the university to ensure Ohio State's compliance with all applicable rules. In doing so, the compliance office is charged with the following tasks:

- Educating administrators, coaches, staff, prospects, student-athletes and boosters about NCAA, Big Ten and institutional rules;
- Developing monitoring systems to ensure compliance with these rules. These systems are designed to monitor rules pertaining to recruiting, academic eligibility, financial aid, awards, extra benefits, ethical conduct, amateurism, agents, employment, occasional meals and the playing and practice seasons for each sport; and
- Investigating and reporting violations of NCAA, Big Ten and institutional rules to the appropriate governing authority.

ARE YOU A BOOSTER?

You are a booster if you are or ever have:

- Been a member of a booster organization that supports Ohio State athletics;
- Made any financial contributions to any area of Ohio State;
- Made any annual or lifetime membership commitment to a booster organization;
- Been involved with the recruitment of a prospect;
- Provided benefits to an enrolled student-athlete or their relatives or friends;
- Been involved in promoting Ohio State's athletic program;
- Provided or helped to arrange employment for student-athletes;
- Been a season ticket holder.

ONCE A BOOSTER ... ALWAYS A BOOSTER.

According to the NCAA, once an individual has been identified as a booster, he or she retains this identity forever.

If you do not meet the definition of a booster, you can still be classified as a booster if you provide benefits to prospects, student-athletes, their relatives or friends and any of the following statements are true.

- The relationship between the athlete (or parents of the athlete) and the individual providing the benefits developed as a result of the athlete's participation in athletics or their reputation as an athlete;
- The relationship began only after the athlete became a prospect;

- The relationship began only after the athlete had achieved notoriety because of his or her athletic ability or reputation; or
- The pattern of giving increased after the athlete attained notoriety as a skilled athlete.

WHAT IS AN EXTRA BENEFIT?

A recruiting inducement or extra benefit is any special arrangement by an Ohio State University employee or booster to provide a prospect, a student-athlete or their relatives or friends a benefit not expressly authorized by the NCAA. Examples of impermissible extra benefits include but are not limited to:

- cash or any type of gifts;
- loans or cosigning of loans;
- vehicle or the use of a vehicle;
- payment for or arrangement of transportation costs;
- free or reduced cost goods or services;
- free or reduced cost housing; or
- concert or sporting event tickets

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES?

Ohio State is responsible for the actions of its boosters. If a booster provides an impermissible benefit to a prospect, a student-athlete, or their relatives or friends, Ohio State may be subject to penalties, even if the student-athlete has completed his or her eligibility. The prospect or student-athlete who accepts an impermissible benefit jeopardizes his or her eligibility for intercollegiate competition. A booster who provides an impermissible benefit may be disassociated from the university's athletics program. Disassociation results in a loss of all benefits or privileges offered by the department of athletics and may involve other penalties as appropriate.

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GOT QUESTIONS? ASK COMPLIANCE.

The above information is a brief overview of compliance and rules pertaining to boosters and their interactions with prospective and current student-athletes. It is not an exhaustive discussion. If you have any questions about any NCAA, Big Ten or institutional rules, please contact the Athletic Compliance Office at (614) 292-2681 or via email at compliance@buckeyes.ath.ohio-state.edu.



[2008-09] bowl schedule

Bowl Game	Date/Time (ET)	Site	Matchup	Network
Congressional Bowl	Dec. 20 / 11 a.m.	Washington, D.C.	Army/Navy/At-Large vs. ACC	ESPN
New Mexico	Dec. 20 / TBA	Albuquerque, N.M.	Mountain West vs. WAC	ESPN
St. Petersburg Bowl	Dec. 20 / 6:30 p.m.	St. Petersburg, Fla.	Big East vs. C-USA	ESPN2
Pioneer Las Vegas	Dec. 20 / 8 p.m.	Las Vegas, Nev.	Mountain West vs. Pac-10	ESPN
R&L Carriers New Orleans	Dec. 21 / 8 p.m.	New Orleans, La.	Sun Belt vs. C-USA	ESPN
San Diego Co. Credit Union Poinsettia	Dec. 23 / 8 p.m.	San Diego, Calif.	Mountain West vs. Pac-10	ESPN
Sheraton Hawaii	Dec. 24 / 8 p.m.	Honolulu, Hawaii	WAC vs. Pac-10	ESPN
Motor City	Dec. 26 / 7:30 p.m.	Detroit, Mich.	Big Ten vs. MAC	ESPN
Meineke Car Care	Dec. 27 / 1 p.m.	Charlotte, N.C.	ACC vs. Big East	ESPN
Champs Sports	Dec. 27 / 4:30 p.m.	Orlando, Fla.	ACC vs. Big Ten	ESPN
Emerald	Dec. 27 / 8 p.m.	San Francisco, Calif.	ACC vs. Pac-10	ESPN
PetroSun Independence	Dec. 28 / 8 p.m.	Shreveport, La.	Big 12 vs. SEC	ESPN
Papajohn's.com	Dec. 29 / 3 p.m.	Birmingham, Ala.	Big East vs. SEC	ESPN
Valero Alamo	Dec. 29 / 8 p.m.	San Antonio, Texas	Big Ten vs. Big 12	ESPN
Roady's Humanitarian	Dec. 30 / 4:30 p.m.	Boise, Idaho	ACC vs. WAC	ESPN
Pacific Life Holiday	Dec. 30 / 8 p.m.	San Diego, Calif.	Big 12 vs. Pac-10	ESPN
Texas	Dec. 30 / 8 p.m.	Houston, Texas	Big 12 vs. C-USA	NFL
Bell Helicopter Armed Forces	Dec. 31 / 12 p.m.	Fort Worth, Texas	Mountain West vs. C-USA	ESPN
Brut Sun	Dec. 31 / 2 p.m.	El Paso, Texas	Big 12/Big East/Notre Dame vs. Pac-10	CBS
Gaylord Hotels Music City	Dec. 31 / 3:30 p.m.	Nashville, Tenn.	ACC vs. SEC	ESPN
Insight	Dec. 31 / 6 p.m.	Tempe, Ariz.	Big Ten vs. Big 12	NFL
Chick-fil-A	Dec. 31 / 7:30 p.m.	Atlanta, Ga.	ACC vs. SEC	ESPN
Outback	Jan. 1 / 11 a.m.	Tampa, Fla.	Big Ten vs. SEC	ESPN
Konica Minolta Gator	Jan. 1 / 1 p.m.	Jacksonville, Fla.	ACC vs. Big 12/Big East/Notre Dame	CBS
Capital One	Jan. 1 / 1 p.m.	Orlando, Fla.	Big Ten vs. SEC	ABC
Rose presented by Citi	Jan. 1 / 5 p.m.	Pasadena, Calif.	*BCS vs. BCS	ABC
FedEx Orange	Jan. 1 / 8 p.m.	Miami, Fla.	*BCS vs. BCS	FOX
AT&T Cotton	Jan. 2 / 2 p.m.	Dallas, Texas	Big 12 vs. SEC	FOX
AutoZone Liberty	Jan. 2 / 5 p.m.	Memphis, Tenn.	C-USA vs. SEC	ESPN
Allstate Sugar	Jan. 2 / 8 p.m.	New Orleans, La.	*BCS vs. BCS	FOX
International	Jan. 3 / 12 p.m.	Toronto, Canada	Big East vs. MAC	ESPN2
Tostitos Fiesta	Jan. 5 / 8 p.m.	Phoenix, Ariz.	*BCS vs. BCS	FOX
GMAC	Jan. 6 / 8 p.m.	Mobile, Ala.	C-USA vs. MAC/WAC	ESPN
FedEx BCS National Championship	Jan. 8 / 8 p.m.	Miami, Fla.	*BCS #1 vs. BCS #2	FOX

Dates and Times are Tentative and Subject to Change

BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES - When not having a conference champion participating in the BCS National Championship Game, the BCS will have the following conference champions serve as host teams: Rose Bowl - Big Ten and Pac-10; FedEx Orange Bowl - ACC; Allstate Sugar Bowl - SEC; Tostitos Fiesta Bowl - Big 12.

[THIS IS THE] BIG TEN CONFERENCE

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

>> The Big Ten Conference is an association of 11 world-class universities whose member institutions share a common mission of research, graduate, professional and undergraduate teaching and public service. Intercollegiate athletics has an important place within the mission.

Founded in 1896, the Big Ten has sustained a comprehensive set of shared practices and policies that enforce the priority of academics in student-athletes' lives and emphasize the values of integrity, fairness and competitiveness. Big Ten universities provide approximately \$100 million in direct financial aid to more than 8,400 men and women student-athletes who compete for 25 championships, 12 for men and 13 for women. Conference institutions sponsor broad-based athletic programs with more than 270 teams.

- Big Ten Universities are members of the nation's only conference whose constituency is entirely composed of institutions that are members of the AAU, a prestigious association of major academic and research institutions in the United States and Canada.
- Big Ten Universities have more than 4.2 million living alumni and over 300,000 undergraduate students attending Big Ten universities.
- Over the past two years, the Big Ten has reached a series of milestone media agreements to provide the conference with its greatest television exposure ever, including extensions with CBS (for basketball) and ABC/ESPN (for football, basketball and volleyball) and the creation of the Big Ten Network, a national network devoted to Big Ten athletic and academic programs. The Big Ten Network will operate 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and is set to launch in

August of 2007. It will showcase a wide array of sports as well as original programming produced by conference institutions and represents a 20-year partnership between the Big Ten and Fox. The conference's new media agreements will result in the broadcast of more than 500 events nationally and regionally beginning with the 2007-08 academic year, compared to 300 events in the final year of the previous agreements.

- Since 1992, the Big Ten has created in excess of 2,000 new opportunities for women student-athletes and established 28 new women's teams.
- The Big Ten's media agreements with CBS (men's basketball), ABC/ESPN (football, basketball, and volleyball) and the Big Ten Network provide the conference with its greatest television exposure ever. The Big Ten's new media agreements resulted in the broadcast of more than 500 events nationally and regionally during the 2007-08 academic year, compared to 300 events in the final year of the previous agreements. In 2006, the Big Ten created the first national conference-owned television network devoted to the athletic and academic programs of a single conference. The Big Ten Network launched on Aug. 30, 2007, and became the first new network in cable or satellite television history to reach 30 million homes in its first 30 days. In 2007-08, the Big Ten's television partners aired every home football and men's basketball game for the first time in conference history while also providing twice as much national exposure for women's basketball than any other conference during the regular season.
- The Big Ten recognized 2,095 Academic All-Big Ten honorees during the 2007-08 academic year, the highest total in the last decade. Over the past five years, the Conference has annually acknowledged more than 1,800 student-athletes as Academic All-Conference honorees.
- The Big Ten has claimed at least four national championships in eight of the last 10 seasons. Big Ten national champions in 2007-08 included Penn State men's and women's volleyball, Iowa wrestling, Ohio State fencing and Northwestern women's lacrosse. The Big Ten has also produced team national crowns in the sports of basketball, cross country, field hockey, football, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, synchronized swimming, tennis and track and field over the last decade. The Big Ten is the only conference in the nation in which every school has captured at least one national title in an NCAA sponsored sport over the last 10 seasons.



>> "Eleven schools, 252 varsity teams, one great network to cover it all. Welcome to the Big Ten Network, your ultimate source for Big Ten sports, featuring the games, passion and tradition of the nation's foremost athletic conference." — Dave Revsine, August 30, 2007

The Big Ten Network is dedicated to covering the Big Ten Conference and its 11 member institutions. The Big Ten Network provides unprecedented access to an extensive schedule of conference sports events and shows; original programs in academics, the arts and sciences; campus activities; and associated personalities. Sports programming includes live coverage of more events than ever before, along with news, highlights and analysis, all complemented by hours of university-produced campus programming. The Big Ten Network is a joint venture between subsidiaries of the Big Ten Conference and Fox Cable Networks. The Big Ten Network reaches a national audience through distribution arrangements with approximately 240 cable and satellite companies.



JAMES E. DELANY

Big Ten Conference
Commissioner

Only the Big Ten's fifth commissioner since its founding in 1896, James E. Delany enters his 20th year in that role. He has led the Big Ten through significant periods of change and growth that have helped the conference maintain its preeminent position as one of the nation's leaders in providing quality athletic and academic experiences for young people.



Big Ten Network President Mark Silverman (from left), Fox National Cable Sports Networks President Bob Thompson, Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley, Big Ten Commissioner James E. Delany and Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Director Jack Lavin announce official Big Ten Network headquarters location at the historic Montgomery Ward building in Chicago.



>> **mark silverman**
Big Ten Network President



>> **dave revsine**
Lead Studio Host



[2008 BIG TEN] football schedule

											
Aug. 30	@ Missouri	Western Kentucky	Maine	Utah	@ California	Northern Illinois	Syracuse	Youngstown State	Coastal Carolina		
Sept. 6	Eastern Illinois	Murray State	Florida International	Miami (OH)	Eastern Michigan	@ Bowling Green	@ Duke	Ohio University	Oregon State	Northern Colorado	Marshall
Sept. 13	Louisiana Lafayette		Iowa State HC	@ Notre Dame	Florida Atlantic	Montana State	Southern Illinois	@ Southern California	@ Syracuse	Oregon	@ Fresno State
Sept. 20		Ball State	@ Pitt		Notre Dame	Florida Atlantic	Ohio University	Troy	Temple	Central Michigan	
Sept. 27	@ Penn State	Michigan State	Northwestern	Wisconsin HC	@ Indiana HC	@ Ohio State	@ Iowa	Minnesota	Illinois	@ Notre Dame	@ Michigan
Oct. 4	@ Michigan HC	@ Minnesota	@ Michigan State	Illinois	Iowa	Indiana		@ Wisconsin	@ Purdue	Penn State	Ohio State
Oct. 11	Minnesota	Iowa	@ Indiana	Toledo	@ Northwestern	@ Illinois	Michigan State HC	Purdue	@ Wisconsin	@ Ohio State	Penn State
Oct. 18	Indiana	@ Illinois HC	Wisconsin	@ Penn State	Ohio State		Purdue	@ Michigan State HC	Michigan	@ Northwestern HC	@ Iowa HC
Oct. 25	@ Wisconsin	Northwestern		Michigan State	@ Michigan	@ Purdue HC	@ Indiana	Penn State	@ Ohio State	Minnesota	Illinois
Nov. 1	Iowa	Central Michigan	@ Illinois	@ Purdue	Wisconsin	Northwestern	@ Minnesota			Michigan	@ Michigan State
Nov. 8	vs. Western Michigan ¹	Wisconsin	Penn State	@ Minnesota	Purdue	Michigan	Ohio State	@ Northwestern	@ Iowa	@ Michigan State	@ Indiana
Nov. 15	Ohio State	@ Penn State	Purdue	Northwestern		@ Wisconsin	@ Michigan	@ Illinois	Indiana	@ Iowa	Minnesota
Nov. 22	@ Northwestern	@ Purdue	@ Minnesota	@ Ohio State	@ Penn State	Iowa	Illinois	Michigan	Michigan State	Indiana	

1 - at Ford Field, Detroit; HC - Homecoming

nader abdallah

>> DEFENSIVE TACKLE

6-4, 300, 5th/Sr.

Archbishop Rummel High School

Metairie, La.

Family Resource Management

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Buckeye Bits: Heads into the spring as a key component of the defensive front after a productive season ... returning starter along with Doug Worthington at defensive tackle ... in his fifth year in the program ... big, strong, physical presence who can play both end and tackle ... made great strides in his play last season

2007 (Junior): Made significant contributions along the defensive line ... 19 tackles for season ... starter in eight games ... sack and three tackles in the Wisconsin win ... first-year letterman

2006 (Sophomore): Added depth on the defensive front ... saw action in four games vs. Northern Illinois, Texas, Cincinnati and Minnesota.

2005 (Freshman): Played a total of 14 minutes in four games, including six minutes in the opener against Miami (Ohio) ... also had appearances against Indiana, Minnesota and Northwestern ... lone tackle of the year was an assist against the RedHawks.

2004 (Redshirt): Was redshirted and played on the scout squad.

Nader Abdallah Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2005	4	1	0	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2006	5	0	0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2007	13	8	11	19	3.0	9	1.0	5	0	0	0
Totals	22	9	11	20	3.0	9	1.0	5	0	0	0

High School: Enjoyed a very productive senior year, recording 76 tackles, including 11 quarterback sacks, in eight games ... also had two interceptions and swatted down five passes ... started in the U.S. Army All-American game in San Antonio ... led Archbishop Rummel to the state playoffs in 2003 and collected four sacks, two batted passes, a fumble recovery and a forced fumble in a hard-fought 7-5 second round loss to Shreveport Evangel ... ranked among top ten DT prospects in America.

Personal: The son of Younes and Izzieh Abdallah ... went through a very stressful situation as a sophomore when his family's home in Metairie was destroyed by Hurricane Katrina, forcing the family to move to Columbus with very few belongings ... his mother, father and three siblings all lived together in his apartment for a period of time before the family returned to Louisiana in April 2006 in hopes of re-building their home and starting over ... his parents have since returned to their native Palestine ... likes to watch movies and just hang out with his friends when he has some free time.



Pets: two alligators

Best moment of 2007 season: Beating Michigan at Michigan

Person who would play me in a movie: Tony Montana

Dream vacation: trip back to Palestine

Favorite music artist: Juvenile

If I have a spare hour I ... go to the mosque

Favorite subject: Math

Favorite NFL Player: Will Smith

big, **strong**,
physical presence
who can play
both end and
tackle

andre amos

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>> CORNERBACK

6-1, 183, Sr./Jr.

Middletown High School

Middletown, Ohio

African-American and African Studies



Buckeye Bits: Is listed in the rotation at field corner ... heads into spring practice aiming to win time at nickel spot ... is on most of Ohio State's special teams ... enters his fourth year in the program ... good athlete who is a smart, competitive player ... has become much more physical.

2007 (Sophomore): Limited by injury the first half of the season ... rehabilitating from left knee surgery he underwent last spring ... saw important action on three special teams units in seven regular-season games and the bowl ... special teams dog tags: Kent State ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Saw action in 12 games in the defensive secondary and on special teams ... collected nine tackles, including four solo stops ... intercepted Indiana's Blake Powers on the Hoosiers' final drive to cap Ohio State's 44-3 win ... had two tackles in the IU game after a career-high three stops against Bowling Green ... had solo tackles vs. Penn State and Iowa.

2005 (Redshirt): Redshirted, but impressed the coaches right from the start with his ability and desire to learn.

High School: Played wide receiver and defensive back at Middletown and excelled at both positions ... second-team all-state as a senior ... seven interceptions on defense to go along with 35 receptions for 500 yards and seven touchdowns on offense as a senior ... won all-league honors as both a junior and a senior ... from the same high school that produced former Ohio State standouts Sonny Gordon and Todd Bell, both of whom played defensive back for the Buckeyes ...

Favorite Actor: Terrence Howard

Best moment of 2007 season: Playing against Purdue after coming off ACL surgery

Favorite cartoon character: Scooby Doo

Car I'd most like to drive: Aston-Martin

Dream vacation: Paris, France

If I have a spare hour I ... sleep

Favorite subject: Science

smart,
competitive
player who gives
great effort
every play

played three years of varsity basketball and also ran track (400 and relays) ... Middies won the state track title his freshman year.

Personal: Son of Carey and Teresa Amos ... enjoys video games and likes to fish (caught a 21-pound catfish in the summer of 2005 for his biggest catch) ... has two older brothers.



jake ballard

>> TIGHT END

6-6, 256, Jr./Jr.
Springboro High School
Springboro, Ohio
Exploring

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Buckeye Bits: Constantly improving tight end who enters his third year in the Ohio State ... has become increasingly significant within the offense ... often on the field along with Rory Nicol in two-tight end sets ... OSU coaches like his size and strength ... is a big target as a receiver ... has shown ability to be a dominating edge blocker.

2007 (Sophomore): Shared starter's role at tight end with Rory Nicol ... 13 catches for 149 yards for season with two scores ... also played on two special units ... 14-yard touchdown catch from Todd Boeckman vs. Michigan State ... 15-yard touchdown catch at Penn State ... Jim Parker lineman of week: Akron, Washington ... second-year letterman

2006 (Freshman): Played in 10 games as the No. 2 tight end behind Rory Nicol ... had two catches for five yards ... caught a 1-yard touchdown in the 44-3 win vs. Indiana, when both he and Nicol started ... caught one of three touchdown passes to tight ends against the Hoosiers ... other catch, for 4 yards, came at Northwestern.

High School: Ranked the No. 8 tight end prospect in the nation ... in eight games as a senior, caught 22 passes for 363 yards and three

touchdowns ... was named Ohio's 2005 Division II Defensive Player of the Year after recording 35 solo tackles, 42 assists, 10 tackles behind the line of scrimmage and three quarterback sacks ... 2004 and 2005 first-team all-league, district player of the year and All-Ohio ... 2005 Reebok Preseason All-American ... team captain as a senior ... four-year letterman in football and basketball.

Personal: Son of Ben and Debby Ballard.

Jake Ballard 2007 Game By Game Receiving

Opponent	No.	Yds	Td	Lg
Youngstown State	1	11	0	11
Akron	0	0	0	0
At Washington	0	0	0	0
Northwestern	0	0	0	0
At Minnesota	2	30	0	20
At Purdue	0	0	0	0
Kent	1	18	0	18
Michigan State	3	35	1	16
At Penn State	2	20	1	15
Wisconsin	1	5	0	5
Illinois	1	22	0	22
At Michigan	2	8	0	5
Vs LSU	0	0	0	0
Totals	13	149	2	22

Jake Ballard Receiving Career Stats

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2006	12	2	5	1	4
2007	13	13	149	2	22
Total	25	15	154	3	22



Favorite Actor: Denzel Washington

Before a game I like to ... listen to music

Name of your first youth league team: Panthers

Favorite American from history: Ulysses S. Grant

Favorite music artist: Toby Keith and Garth Brooks

Favorite old-school TV show: Saved By The Bell

Favorite subject: History

Who has my gold pants: My mom

big target as a
receiver with
dominating
edge blocking
ability

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» QUARTERBACK

6-2, 220, So./Fr.
Lincoln High School
Strasburg, Va.
Fisheries and Wildlife



Buckeye Bits: Quarterback prospect who is regaining his football prowess after three seasons in minor league baseball ... active arm and ability to make a variety of throws.

2007 (Redshirt): Joined the Ohio State football program as a walk-on ... did not see varsity action for the Big Ten champions... scout team workhorse: Youngstown State.

High School: Played his sophomore through senior seasons at Lincoln High in Tallahassee, Fla. ... all-state in both Virginia and Florida in football and baseball ... captain of the football team ... threw for 3,000 yards and 28 TD as a junior and 2,000 yards and 27 TD as a senior ... all-Big Bend conference ... made a verbal commitment to Ohio State before choosing baseball.

Personal: Son of John and Joy Bauserman ... has one brother, J.D. ... an avid outdoorsman who enjoys hunting, fishing and snowboarding ... signed a baseball contract with the Pittsburgh Pirates as a 2004 fourth-round draft pick and played three seasons (Gulf Coast, William-sport, Hickory) for that organization ... Baseball America rated him as having the best changeup in the Pirates' farm system.

Pets: Golden retriever

Favorite Actress: Reese Witherspoon

Favorite Actor: Vince Vaughn

Name of your first youth league team: Angels

Favorite food: Venison

Car I'd most like to drive: 65 Mustang

Favorite music artist: Johnny Cash

Favorite subject: Science

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and ability to
make a variety
of throws



evan blankenship

>> OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

6-3, 290, So./Fr.
Center Area High School
Monaca, Pa.
Elementary Education

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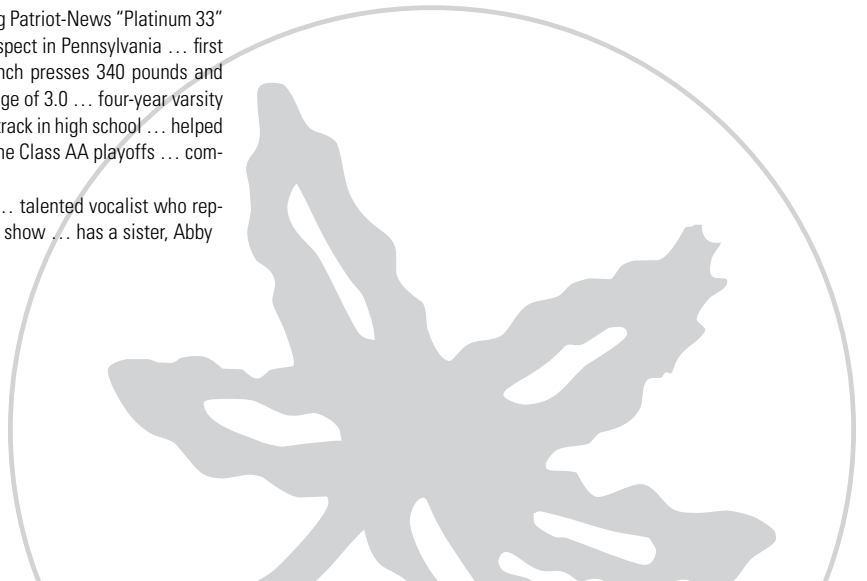


Buckeye Bits: Offensive tackle who will be in the mix this season along with Bryant Browning to replace All-American Kirk Barton at right tackle ... has the skills to play anywhere along the offensive line

2007 (Redshirt): Did not see varsity action for the Big Ten champions ... was redshirted and worked with the scout team

High School: Named to the Harrisburg Patriot-News "Platinum 33" team as a senior ... rated the No. 18 prospect in Pennsylvania ... first team all-conference and all-state ... bench presses 340 pounds and squats 500 ... earned a grade point average of 3.0 ... four-year varsity starter ... also played basketball and ran track in high school ... helped lead Center Area to the second round of the Class AA playoffs ... committed to Ohio State in July 2006

Personal: Son of Paula Blankenship ... talented vocalist who represented football in the OSU-SAAB talent show ... has a sister, Abby



Pets: Old English sheepdog Ozzie

Before a game I like to ... read the program

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... of the rich tradition

Favorite food: anything my grandmother or mother makes

Car I'd most like to drive: anything fast

Dream vacation: Australia

Favorite American from history: JFK

Favorite old-school TV show: Saved By The Bell

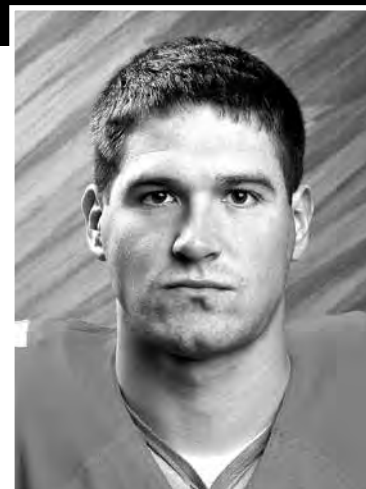
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along the
offensive line

todd boeckman

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>> QUARTERBACK

6-4, 240, 5th/Sr.
St. Henry High School
St. Henry, Ohio
Graduate



Buckeye Bits: Returning starter at quarterback ... veteran who capably stepped into the 2007 lineup and directed the team ... has excellent size and a strong arm ... drop-back passer with an accurate touch, especially on the deep ball ... smart player who sees the field and is good at reading his progression ... teammates have great confidence in his leadership ... earned bachelor's degree in March.

2007 (Junior): First-year starter at quarterback for the Buckeyes ... first team all-Big Ten (media) ... second team all-Big Ten (Rivals) ... Davey O'Brien Award semifinalist ... led Big Ten in passing efficiency with 148.94 rating ... 191-299 for 2,379 yards ... 25 TD against 14 interceptions ... 11-14 with four TD passes against Northwestern ... 18-29 for 209 yards, two TD at Minnesota ... 19-26 for 253 yards passing with three TD at Penn State ... offensive player of week: Northwestern, Kent State, Penn State ... Big Ten player of week: Penn State ... Rex Kern award

2006 (Sophomore): Saw action in three games, playing against Cincinnati, Indiana and Northwestern.

2005 (Freshman): Played in three games ... hooked up with Ted Ginn on a 42-yard touchdown against Miami ... also made appearances against Minnesota and Northwestern.

2004 (Redshirt): Seemed a cinch to redshirt and understudy Justin Zwick and Troy Smith, but that changed in week six when Zwick injured his shoulder at Iowa ... was basically the No. 2 QB from that point on ... graduated from St. Henry in the spring of 2003 and enrolled at OSU part-time the following fall ... took part in fall drills until classes

started and in Fiesta Bowl practice before enrolling full-time Winter Quarter 2004.

High School: Four-year starter who led St. Henry to the Division V state title game as a freshman ... threw for 7,021 yards and 64 touchdowns in his career, including 2,520 yards and 23 touchdowns as a freshman ... coached by father, Tim Boeckman (now the AD at St. Henry) ... also all-state in basketball and baseball ... four-year letterman in basketball and a three-year letterman in baseball ... averaged 18.6 points per game as a junior ... attended same high school that sent Bobby Hoying and Jim Lachey to Ohio State.

Personal: Son of Tim and Denise Boeckman ... older brother, Trent, played baseball at Defiance and younger brother, Toby, plays football at Cincinnati ... a cousin, Cory Luebke, pitched for OSU and is now in the San Diego Padres organization.

Todd Boeckman Passing Career Stats

Year	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds	Td	Lg
2005	3	7	5	0	67	1	42
2006	3	3	2	0	19	0	12
2007	13	299	191	14	2379	25	68
Total	19	309	198	14	2465	26	68

Favorite Actor: Will Ferrell

Before a game I like to ... mentally prepare

Best moment of 2007 season: Going to the national championship

Person who would play me in a movie: Vince Vaughn

Favorite music artist: Kenny Chesney

Favorite subject: History

Who has my gold pants: Mom and sister

drop-back
passer with
an **accurate**
touch and
strong arm



alex boone

>> OFFENSIVE TACKLE

6-8, 312, Sr./Sr.
St. Edward High School
Lakewood, Ohio
History

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Buckeye Bits: Key Outland Trophy contender who returns at his starting left tackle spot ... tremendously talented veteran player who possesses the physical tools to be a standout ... can play either tackle spot, but has settled into the left side for the Buckeyes ... big, strong, aggressive and smart ... effective as a pass protector because of his combination of deft footwork and balance ... studies the game intently.

2007 (Junior): Third-year starter at left tackle ... second team all-Big Ten (media, coaches, Rivals) ... 22 career starts ... offensive player of week: Purdue ... Jim Parker lineman of week: Northwestern, Penn State ... third-year letterman

2006 (Sophomore): Started the first nine games at left tackle, but missed the next two (Illinois and Northwestern) before returning as a reserve against Michigan ... was back in the starting lineup in the national championship game ... team's offensive lineman of the game vs. Penn State ... helped the Buckeyes average 229.7 yards passing per game ... Buckeyes also ran for 180.1 yards per game for an average of 409.8 total yards per game ... offense racked up a season-high 540 yards vs. Indiana and 503 yards against Michigan also bettered 400

yards eight times ... offensive line allowed just 12 sacks in the regular season.

2005 (Freshman): Played in 11 of the Buckeyes' 12 games for a total of 126 minutes ... Texas is the only game he did not play in ... took over for Barton at Penn State and started the Michigan State, Indiana and Minnesota games the next three weeks ... logged 30 minutes in a hard-fought win at Minnesota.

High School: A USA Today and Parade All-American as a senior ... three-year starter at St. Edward and a first-team All-Ohio selection



Name of your first youth league team: St. Marks Lions

I chose to be a Buckeye because...I feel at home

Favorite food: My mom's cooking

Car I'd most like to drive: A cement truck so my friends can roll around in the back

Favorite American from history: Bill Clinton

Favorite old-school TV show: The Sopranos

Favorite subject: History – it's my major

big, strong,
aggressive and
tremendously
talented
veteran player

bryant browning

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>> OFFENSIVE LINE

6-4, 312, Jr./So.
Glenville High School
Cleveland, Ohio
Business Administration



Buckeye Bits: A leading contender to replace graduated All-American Kirk Barton at the right tackle spot ... continues to develop his skills in game situations ... powerful run blocker.

2007 (Freshman): Contributed as a reserve offensive lineman ... also played a key role on special teams ... Big Ten all-academic ... first-year letterman

2006 (Redshirt): Spent the season on the scout team but improved in all areas of his game.

High School: A two-year starter and graded out at 95-percent efficiency ... selected to play in the Big 33 Game ... captain, all-league, all-county, all-district and All-Ohio ... helped lead Glenville to the regional finals the last two years ... lettered three years in both football and track ... ranked No. 1 academically in his high school graduating class.

Personal: Son of Robert and Valerie Browning ... one of the football representatives to Ohio State's Student-Athlete Advisory Board.

Best moment of 2007 season: Playing in my first game

I chose to be a Buckeye because...I want to represent my home state

Favorite cartoon character: Homer Simpson

Favorite food: Cheesecake

Favorite music artist: Jay-Z

If I have a spare hour I...play Tiger Woods golf on the Wii

Favorite subject: Math

powerful
run blocker

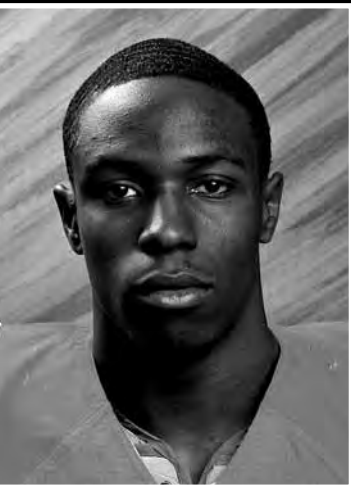


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>> DEFENSIVE BACK

6-1, 188, Jr./So.
East Ridge High School
Clermont, Fla.
Biology

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Buckeye Bits: One of the most versatile components of the Buckeyes' veteran secondary ... possesses excellent man-to-man coverage skills ... good speed and athletic ability

2007 (Freshman): Saw considerable playing time as a nickel-back ... was also part of three special teams units ... freshman all-Big Ten (Sporting News) ... 30 tackles, 9 PBU for season ... nine-yard interception against Northwestern ... five solo stops at Minnesota ... 10 unassisted tackles in win at Purdue ... defensive player of week: Purdue ... Big Ten player of week: Purdue ... first-year letterman

2006 (Redshirt): Redshirted as a true freshman ... was a member of the scout team and spent the year adjusting to the college level.

High School: Picked off seven passes and broke up six more as a senior ... totaled 44 tackles and recovered four fumbles ... first-team All-Central Florida and second-team All-Florida ... qualified for the state track championships in the 100-meter dash (10.79) ... collected 41 tackles, four interceptions, 11 pass break-ups, one sack and scored two touchdowns as a junior ... four-year letterwinner and all-state in track.

Personal: Son of Charles and Eunice Chekwa ... sister plays basketball at Mississippi State and brother ran track at Louisiana-Monroe.



Name of your first youth league team: Kings Grant Crusaders

I chose to be a Buckeye because... I wanted to play with the best and against the best

Person who would play me in a movie: Forest Whittaker

Favorite food: Chinese food

Favorite place on campus: The Shoe

Favorite American from history: Jackie Robinson

Favorite old-school TV show: Good Times

excellent
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coverage with
great speed
and athletic
ability

kurt coleman

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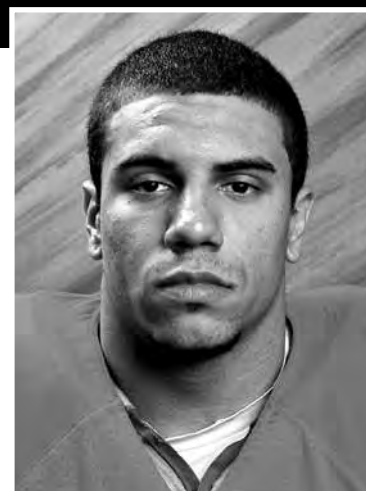
>> DEFENSIVE BACK

5-11, 188, Jr./Jr.

Northmont High School

Dayton, Ohio

Sport and Leisure Studies



Buckeye Bits: Returning starter at strong safety ... has already proven he has a bright future with the Buckeyes ... one of the fiercest competitors in the OSU weight room.

2007 (Sophomore): Starting strong safety who was significant on special teams ... 64 tackles, 4 PBU, 3.5 TFL for season ... sack and five tackles against Michigan State ... five tackles and forced a fumble at Penn State ... seven tackles against Illinois ... 10 tackles in the BCS championship game ... defensive player of week: Illinois ... SAE award for outstanding player in Homecoming game ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Blocked a 50-yard field goal attempt by Bowling Green on the Falcons' first possession in an eventual 35-7 OSU win ... saw action in 12 games and collected nine tackles, all of which came in the final seven games of the regular season ... five of his tackles were solo stops ... had a career-high five tackles in the win at Michigan State, including half a stop behind the line of scrimmage when he joined teammate Lawrence Wilson ... played in all but one game as a true freshman, mainly on special teams ... enrolled early at Ohio State for spring quarter 2006 and participated in spring drills.

High School: Collected 19 solo tackles and 73 assists as a senior to go along with seven pass break-ups and three interceptions ... caught 22 passes for 248 yards and one touchdown ... returned 15 punts for 261 yards and two touchdowns and returned 11 kickoffs for 266 yards and another touchdown ... two-time first-team All-Ohio ... named to the 2005 Detroit Free Press All-Midwest Team ... had 17 pass break-

ups and 10 interceptions, including two he returned for touchdowns, as a junior and added 38 solo stops and 53 assists ... caught 16 passes for 315 yards and seven touchdowns as a junior.

Personal: Son of Ron Coleman and Heidi Williams ... spent the winter quarter student teaching ... has a brother Kyle, also an OSU graduate.

Kurt Coleman Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2006	12	5	4	9	0.5	1	.0	0	0	0	0
2007	13	29	35	64	3.5	5	1.0	2	4	0	0
Total	25	34	39	73	4.0	6	1.0	2	4	0	0

Favorite Actress: Halle Berry

Favorite cartoon character: Tazmanian devil

Favorite food: Steak

Car I'd most like to drive: Phantom

Dream vacation: Australia

Favorite American from history: Booker T. Washington

If I have a spare hour I... Play X-Box

Favorite former Buckeye: Will Allen

one of the
fiercest
competitors
in the weight
room



jim cordle

>> OFFENSIVE CENTER

6-4, 297, Sr./Jr.
Lancaster High School
Lancaster, Ohio
Marketing

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Buckeye Bits: Returning starter at center ... has exceptional quickness and outstanding speed ... plays low and with power ... tough and competitive

2007 (Sophomore): First-year starter at center ... played much of the season with his right hand in a cast to protect a wrist fracture ... ESPN all-Mayday team for toughness ... offensive player of week: Akron ... Jim Parker lineman of week: Minnesota ... Jim Marshall "Warrior" award ... Big Ten all-academic ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Was the No. 2 center behind Rimington Award finalist Doug Datish ... played in six games as a redshirt freshman, logging minutes against Cincinnati, Bowling Green, Michigan State, Indiana, Minnesota and Northwestern.

2005 (Redshirt): Enrolled early (Spring Quarter) and made a favorable impression with the coaches ... suffered a broken foot in fall camp, however, and wound up being redshirted ... continued to study film and was able to resume workouts during winter conditioning.

High School: One of the top rated offensive centers in the country coming out of high school ... won first-team All-Ohio honors as a junior and senior and Lancaster went to the playoffs both years ... began his high school career at Lancaster Fisher Catholic and was a two-year starter at center ... transferred to Lancaster High School as a junior and played guard his final two years ... also wrestled his first three years.

Personal: Son of James and Denise Cordle ... has a younger sister, Elizabeth.



Before a game I like to ... Give my mom a hug on the walk

Person who would play me in a movie: Hulk Hogan

Favorite food: Grilled chicken

Favorite place on campus: Business school

Favorite American from history: Woody Hayes

Favorite old-school TV show: Happy Days

Who has my gold pants: Mom, grandma, girlfriend

Favorite former Buckeye: Jim Lachey

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al **quickness**
and outstanding
speed

todd denlinger

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>> DEFENSIVE TACKLE

6-3, 292, Sr./Jr.

Troy High School

Troy, Ohio

Construction Systems Management



Buckeye Bits: Returning starter at defensive tackle ... strong (bench presses 400), fast and is one of those players whose motor is always running ... coaches like his work ethic and competitive nature.

2007 (Sophomore): outstanding performer who rotated playing time at defensive tackle ... 13 tackles, three TFL for season ... started five games ... missed three games with a knee injury ... Big Ten all-academic ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Played in 11 games ... young but solid contributor on the Buckeyes' defensive line behind All-American Quinn Pitcock and fellow standout David Patterson ... had tackles behind the line of scrimmage against Northern Illinois in the season opener and against Indiana ... finished the year with four stops after notching assists at Michigan State and Northwestern.

2005 (Redshirt): Played with the scout team and always gave great effort.

High School: One of the top-rated defensive tackles in the nation ... won first-team All-Ohio honors as a senior when he had 60 tackles, including 13 tackles-for-loss and seven sacks ... was a four-year starter for the Trojans, starting at tackle as a freshman and sophomore before moving to linebacker as a junior and back to tackle for his final year ... also threw the shotput for three years and was on the hockey team as a sophomore.

Personal: Son of Bart and Teri Denlinger ... has an older brother, Kyle, who attends the University of Cincinnati, and a younger sister, Annie, who is in grade school ... enjoys pheasant and deer hunting and bass fishing ... also likes to draw.

Todd Denlinger Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2006	11	2	2	4	2.0	4	0.0	0	0	0	0
2007	10	7	6	13	3.0	12	1.0	5	0	0	0
Totals	21	9	8	17	5.0	16	1.0	5	0	0	0

Pets: 2 dogs (Ally, golden retriever and Lil, Brittany)

Favorite Actress: Jessica Biel

Before a game I like to ... Think

Favorite cartoon character: Roadrunner

Favorite food: Grandma's Waffles

Car I'd most like to drive: Chevy 2500 Silverado

Favorite subject: History

Favorite former Buckeye: Tim Anderson

strong and fast
with **great**
work ethic
and competitive
nature



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>> DEFENSIVE BACK

5-11, 189, So./Fr.
Wayne High School
Huber Heights, Ohio
Business Administration

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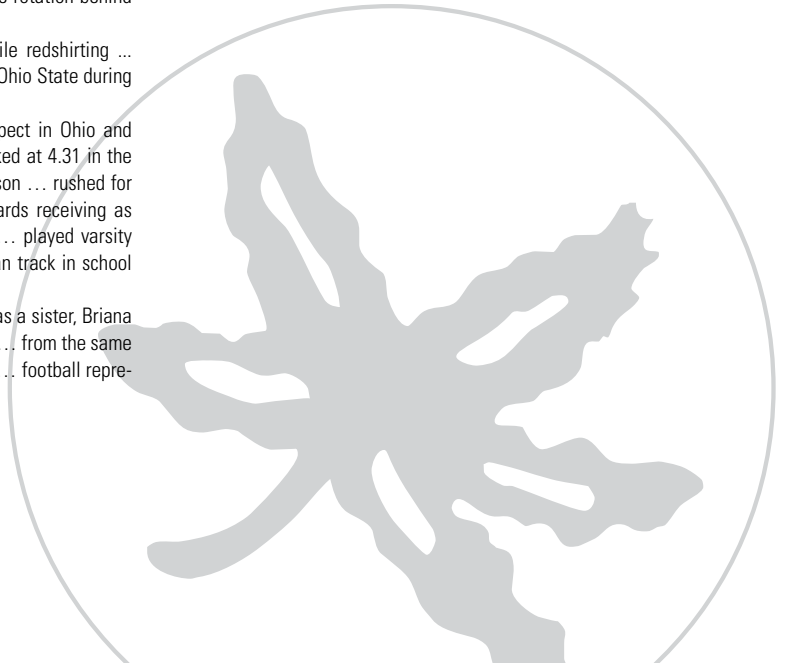


Buckeye Bits: Young cornerback coming off injury who will get his first chance at collegiate action this season ... in the rotation behind All-American Malcolm Jenkins.

2007 (Redshirt): Did not see varsity action while redshirting ... scout team workhorse: Akron, Purdue ... enrolled at Ohio State during the spring quarter

High School: Ranked as the seventh-best prospect in Ohio and 16th best cornerback prospect in the nation ... clocked at 4.31 in the 40-yard dash ... racked up 42 tackles his senior season ... rushed for 527 yards and nine touchdowns and totaled 300 yards receiving as a junior ... member of the National Honor Society ... played varsity since mid-way through his freshman year ... also ran track in school ... helped Wayne to 2006 Div. I regional quarterfinal.

Personal: Son of Donnie and Chrissy Evege ... has a sister, Briana ... father played baseball at Central State University ... from the same school that produced Ohio State standout Will Allen ... football representative to OSU's Student-Athlete Advisory Board.



Favorite Actress: Salma Hayek

Before a game I like to ... visualize my performance

Favorite food: Mom's Mexican chicken

Favorite music artist: Tupac

Favorite old-school TV show: Martin

Favorite subject: English

Favorite former Buckeye: Archie Griffin

Favorite NFL Player: Reggie White

young cornerback
eager for
collegiate action

marcus freeman

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>> LINEBACKER

6-2, 239, 5th/Sr.
Wayne High School
Huber Heights, Ohio
Graduate Student



Buckeye Bits: Third year as the starter at will linebacker in 2007 ... exciting linebacker whose play has helped turn a young Ohio State defense from a question mark to one of the best in the country ... equally talented in coming forward to stop the run and dropping into pass coverage.

2007 (Junior): Second-year starting linebacker and a part of three special units ... second team all-Big Ten (coaches) ... second on squad with 109 tackles for season ... 9.5 TFL, 5 PBU in 2007 ... 11 tackles at Minnesota ... 14 tackles led OSU at Penn State ... also forced a PSU fumble ... 18 tackles vs. Illinois ... leading tackler (9) at Michigan ... 14 tackles in BCS championship game ... defensive player of week: Minnesota, Penn State ... Attack Force award: Northwestern, Purdue, Michigan ... special teams dog tags: Michigan ... Randy Gradishar award for outstanding linebacker ... Big Ten all-academic ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Team's third-leading tackler with 71 stops, including 15 in the national championship game ... played in all 13 games and started 11 at strongside linebacker ... second on the team with six pass break-ups ... both of his interceptions came on the road, at Iowa (5-yard return) and at Michigan State ... also had a sack in the Iowa game ... nine tackles in the season-opener against Northern Illinois ... had at least two tackles in every game, including six in three games (Penn State, Bowling Green and Minnesota) ... defensive attack force player of the game against Minnesota.

2005 (Redshirt): Went into the season as a possible starter, but injured his knee in the season opener and wound up missing the remainder of the year.

2004 (Freshman): Finished his rookie season with four tackles, recording one solo stop and three assists, in 13 games ... made his college debut in the season opener against Cincinnati and picked up his first career assist ... earned his first varsity letter ... enrolled at the start of winter quarter in 2004 and took part in winter conditioning and spring practice.

High School: Rated as one of the Top 3 overall prospects in Ohio as a senior and named to the Parade All-America team ... credited with 127 tackles, four sacks, three forced fumbles and three fumble recoveries as a senior ... totaled 152 tackles, including 29 behind the line of scrimmage, and eight sacks as a junior ... a four-year starter and a two-time first-team All-Ohio selection ... also ran track, competing in the 4x100-meter relay and throwing the shot and discus.

Personal: Is the son of Michael and Chong Freeman ... his mother and father met in Korea when the latter was in the Air Force ... has an older brother, Mike Jr. ... earned his bachelor's degree in December, 2007.

Marcus Freeman Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2004	12	1	3	4	0.0	0	.0	0	0	0	0
2005	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	.0	0	0	0	0
2006	13	34	37	71	2.5	8	1.0	6	8	2	5
2007	13	66	43	109	9.5	23	1.5	9	5	0	0
Total	39	101	83	184	12.0	31	2.5	15	13	2	5

Favorite Actor: Jamie Foxx

Before a game I like to ... Pray

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... The traditions and the excellence here

Person who would play me in a movie: Bruce Lee

Favorite food: My mom's egg rolls

Favorite place on campus: RPAC

If I have a spare hour I ... play rock band

**exciting and
talented
linebacker**



aaron gant

>> SAFETY

6-0, 194, Jr./Jr.
St. Mary's High School
Detroit, Mich.
Management and Industry

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Buckeye Bits: Listed as the backup to Anderson Russell at free safety ... OSU coaches like his physical, aggressive style of play ... has the ability to make the big play or make the big hit.

2007 (Sophomore): was hampered by a right foot injury throughout the season ... a contributor on three special teams units ... recovered a fumble in the win at Purdue ... special teams dog tags: Akron ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Played in the final eight games of the regular season and collected 10 tackles ... began the season on the scout team (named the scout team special units player of the week after Ohio State's win over Northern Illinois) ... gradually worked his way up the depth chart and ended the season No. 2 at free safety behind Jamario O'Neal ... forced a fumble on kickoff coverage in the win at Michigan State ... one of two true freshmen on the defensive two-deep in 2006.

High School: Totaled 42 tackles with two interceptions and one

sack and fumble recovery as a senior ... honorable mention all-Michigan and first team all-Catholic League ... rushed for 829 yards and seven touchdowns on 149 carries as a senior ... caught three passes for 34 yards.

Personal: Son of Aaron Gant and Michelle Jordan.

Aaron Gant Career Tackle Stats

year	G	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	PD	Int	Yds
2006	8	7	3	10	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2007	11	3	3	6	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Totals	19	10	6	16	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0



Pets: Teacup Yorkie

Favorite Actress: Lauren London

Favorite Actor: Denzel Washington

I chose to be a Buckeye because... of my teammates

Favorite food: Thanksgiving dinner

Dream vacation: Atlantis in the Bahamas

If I have a spare hour I... rest

Favorite former Buckeye: Mike Doss

ability to make
the **big play** or
make the **big hit**



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>> DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

6-3, 240, Jr./So.
Euclid High School
Euclid, Ohio
Exploring



Buckeye Bits: Converted linebacker who enters 2008 as one of the contenders along the defensive line for the position vacated by All-American Vernon Gholston ... a rangy, physical defender who has the ability to make tackles sideline to sideline.

2007 (Freshman): a part of three special teams units ... 11 tackles, 3 TFL for year ... recorded a sack and a forced fumble in the win over Wisconsin ... special teams dog tags: Youngstown State ... first-year letterman.

2006 (Redshirt): Worked with the scout team and showed steady improvement.

High School: Collected 39 total tackles, 10 quarterback sacks and eight tackles behind the line of scrimmage as a senior ... totaled 24 quarterback hurries ... Big 33 Game selection ... Cleveland Touchdown Club's 2005 Defensive Player of the Year ... twice named All-Ohio and to the Cleveland Plain Dealer "Best of the Best" all-star team ... had 50 tackles, 17 sacks, 22 QB hurries and two interceptions as a junior ... also a basketball standout.

Personal: Son of Gwendolyn Gibson.

Before a game I like to ... relax and listen to R&B

Best moment of 2007 season: My first sack

Person who would play me in a movie: Miki Fifer

Favorite food: Mexican

Favorite place on campus: Younkin

Dream vacation: London, England

Favorite American from history: Carter Woodson

Favorite old-school TV show: Married With Children

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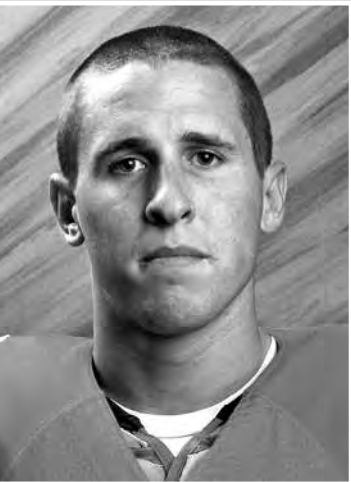


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>> WIDE RECEIVER

6-3, 186, Sr./Jr.
GlenOak High School
North Canton, Ohio
Communication

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Buckeye Bits: Returning starter at wide receiver ... tough and talented with a tremendous upside ... played in all 13 games last two years after being redshirted in 2005 as a true freshman ... has good hands, excellent speed and is a student of the game ... coaches like his work ethic and competitive attitude ... lanky athlete who will go up and get the ball.

2007 (Sophomore): Made his mark at receiver as a keen competitor ... 52 catches for the season for 694 yards and six scores ... averaged 11.4 yards on 20 punt returns ... 36-yard TD from Boeckman at Washington ... 19-yard TD catch at Minnesota ... 61 yards receiving and a TD at Purdue ... scored twice against Kent State, on a 90-yard punt return and a 14-yard TD pass ... punt return broke an OSU record set in 1950 ... leading receiver in Wisconsin win with seven catches for 95 yards ... special units player of week: Kent State ... Jack Tatum hit of week: Wisconsin ... Big Ten player of week: Kent State ... special teams dog tags: Washington, Minnesota, Kent State ... Big Ten sportsmanship award winner ... Paul Warfield award for outstanding receiver ... Big Ten all-academic ... second-year letterman.

Brian Hartline Career Receiving Stats

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2006	13	17	256	2	32
2007	13	52	694	6	65
Total	26	69	950	8	65

Brian Hartline Career Punt Return Stats

Year	G	No.	Yds	Td	Lg
2006	13	0	0	0	0
2007	13	20	229	1	90
Total	26	20	229	1	90

2006 (Freshman): Played in all 13 games with a pair of starts against Northern Illinois and Cincinnati ... fourth on the team with 17 receptions for 256 yards ... averaged 15.1 yards per catch ... scored two touchdowns, both at Northwestern when he caught three passes for 47 yards ... caught only five passes the first eight games of the season then had season-high four catches for 69 yards vs. Minnesota ... added three grabs for 21 yards vs. Michigan ... fixture on special teams ... earned team's special teams player of the week honor at Iowa and Michigan State and again vs. Indiana ... delivered the Jack Tatum hit of the week against Indiana.

2005 (Redshirt): Played with the scout team and was redshirted.

High School: Was a do-it-all player at GlenOak ... began his junior year as a quarterback, but switched to receiver after four games and caught 41 passes for 411 yards (his brother, Michael, replaced him at quarterback) ... also returned punts and kickoffs as a junior ... injured his knee in the season opener his senior year and missed the remainder of the season ... did play in the Big 33 game ... also ran track for three years and won state titles in both the 110-meter and the 300-meter hurdles as a senior.

Personal: Is the son of Dale and Laurie Hartline ... has a younger sister, Jamie, and a younger brother, Michael ... Michael at Kentucky is on a football scholarship ... likes water sports and snow boarding ... ran indoor and outdoor track in 2008 ... finished seventh at Big Ten 2008 indoor championships in the 60-meter hurdles.

Favorite Actor: Bruce Willis

Best moment of 2007 season: Beating Michigan for a fourth straight year

I chose to be a Buckeye because... image of excellence

Favorite place on campus: My bedroom

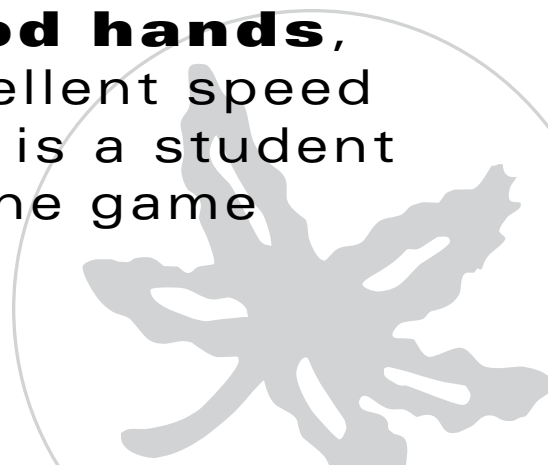
Favorite American from history: JFK

Favorite music artist: Keith Urban

Favorite old-school TV show: Walker Texas Ranger



**good hands,
excellent speed
and is a student
of the game**



dan herron

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>> RUNNING BACK

5-10, 193, So./Fr.
Warren G. Harding High School
Warren, Ohio
Communication



Buckeye Bits: Talented tailback who will get his first chance to compete this season ... possesses great versatility and strength ... a tough between-the-tackles runner.

2007 (Redshirt): Did not see varsity action for the Big Ten champions ... scout team workhorse: Youngstown State, Washington, Michigan State, Michigan.

High School: Ranked the No. 7 recruit in Ohio and the No. 27 running back in the nation ... first-team All-Ohio as a senior ... timed at 4.55 seconds in the 40-yard dash ... led Harding to a 9-4 record and a berth in the regional semi-finals as a senior ... totaled for 1,434 yards and 18 touchdowns as a senior ... rushed for over 1,500 yards and 18 touchdowns as a junior, earning all-conference, all-district and honorable mention All-Ohio honors ... ran for 900 yards as a sophomore.

Personal: Nickname is "Boom" ... son of David Sr. and Brenda Herron ... has a brother, David Jr., and a sister, Christina ... brother played football at Michigan State.

Before a game I like to ... get focused

Best moment of 2007 season: Scout Team Player of the Week

Favorite cartoon character: Spongebob

Dream vacation: Brazil

Favorite American from history: Michael Jordan

Favorite music artist: Lil' Wayne

Favorite old-school TV show: Cosby Show

Favorite subject: English

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>> DEFENSIVE LINE

6-6, 287, So./So.
Peachtree Ridge High School
Suwanee, Ga.
Exploring

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Buckeye Bits: Outstanding defensive end who has benefited from a year of experience ... agile and quick for his size ... has all the physical tools to make a tremendous impact ... high-motor competitor who studies the game intensely.

2007 (Freshman): Became a starter along the defensive line as a true freshman ... freshman All-America (Sporting News, Rivals, Scout) ... freshman all-Big Ten (Sporting News) ... 30 tackles, 9 TFL, 2.5 sacks and 2 PBU ... five tackles and a sack at Penn State ... Attack Force award: Penn State ... Jack Tatum hit of week: Michigan State, Penn State ... team's outstanding first-year player on defense ... first-year letterman.

High School: 2006 Georgia Class 5A Defensive Player of the Year ... rated as the No. 15 prospect overall in Georgia and as high as the nation's No. 20 defensive tackle ... totaled over 100 tackles and 16 sacks as a senior ... ranked the seventh-best player in Georgia and the 13th best defensive tackle in the nation ... 3.2 GPA ... an outstanding basketball player.

Personal: Son of former NFL running back Craig "Ironhead" Heyward and Charlotte Heyward-Blackwell ... stepfather Cory Blackwell played at Wisconsin.



Pets: Two dogs, Jack and Smokey

Before a game I like to ... put patches under my eyes that read "Ironhead"

Best moment of 2007 season: Getting my first sack in the Shoe

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... it felt like a family and I knew I could grow as a man and as a player

Favorite music artist: Chris Brown

Favorite subject: Math

**high-motor
competitor**
who is agile and
quick

jermale hines

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>> LINEBACKER

6-2, 210, So./So.
Cleveland Glenville High School
Cleveland, Ohio
Communication



Buckeye Bits: Talented athlete who will be in the mix at strong side linebacker along with Curtis Terry and Tyler Moeller ... blessed with explosive speed and a nose for the football.

2007 (Freshman): True freshman defender who was productive on special teams from the midseason point ... played on two special units ... first-year letterman.

High School: Rated the No. 16 outside linebacker prospect in the nation and the No. 6 overall recruit in the state ... started at quarterback and linebacker for Glenville his junior year ... team's defensive MVP ... ran for 800 yards as a senior and threw for 750 and nine touchdowns ... first-team all-district as a senior ... recorded 97 tackles as a junior along with eight sacks and four interceptions ... honorable mention all-state as a senior ... participated in the Offense-Defense All-American Bowl ... rushed for 1,000 yards as a sophomore.

Personal: Son of Bobby and April Hines ... has five siblings ... enjoys video games, music and being involved with Fellowship of Christian Athletes ... an uncle, Joseph Hines, played on Penn State's 1983 national championship team.

Favorite Actress: Queen Latifah

Favorite Actor: Cat Williams

Name of your first youth league team: East 88th Browns

Best moment of 2007 season: My first game

Person who would play me in a movie: Chris Tucker

Car I'd most like to drive: 745 Benz

Favorite subject: English

Favorite NFL Player: Ray Lewis

**explosive
speed** and a
nose for the
football

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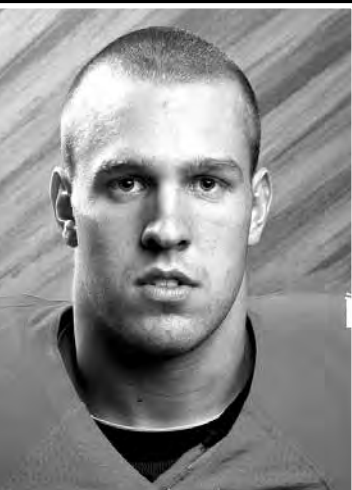


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>> LINEBACKER

6-1, 229, Jr./So.
Coldwater High School
Coldwater, Ohio
Business Administration

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Buckeye Bits: Will compete with Marcus Freeman at will linebacker ... will see field time because of speed and play-making ability ... excellent understanding of the defensive packages.

2007 (Sophomore): Missed much of the season with turf toe ... took a medical redshirt.

2006 (Freshman): Played all 13 games and collected 28 tackles, which ranked ninth on the team and third among linebackers ... listed as the backup to senior John Kerr at the will linebacker spot ... top tackle efforts came against Minnesota (seven), at Northwestern (five) and at Texas (four) ... collected his first collegiate interception in the win at Northwestern and returned it five yards ... had a 13-yard sack in the win over Cincinnati ... enrolled at Ohio State in winter quarter 2006 and participated in the winter conditioning program and spring practice.

High School: Three-time first-team All-Ohio selection ... totaled 119 solo tackles and 85 assists as a senior, including 17 for lost yardage ... Ohio's 2005 Division IV Player of the Year ... led Coldwater to the 2005 Division IV state title ... had one interception, which he returned for a touchdown ... rushed for 1,412 yards and 26 touchdowns on 215 carries and caught 31 passes for 488 yards and four TDs ... collected 137 solo tackles and 97 assists as a junior and had 13 tackles behind the line of scrimmage ... rushed for 806 yards and 14 TDs on 167 carries as a junior and had 12 receptions for 249 yards and five touchdowns.

Personal: Son of David and Alice Homan ... cousin of former Buckeyes Bob and Tom Hoying.



Best moment of 2007 season: Winning the Big Ten

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... it's a program of tradition

Person who would play me in a movie: Mark Wahlberg

Car I'd most like to drive: Lamborghini

Dream vacation: Miami and South Beach

Favorite American from history: George Washington

Favorite music artist: 50 Cent

Who has my gold pants: My mother

play-making
ability with an
understanding
of the defensive
package

malcolm jenkins

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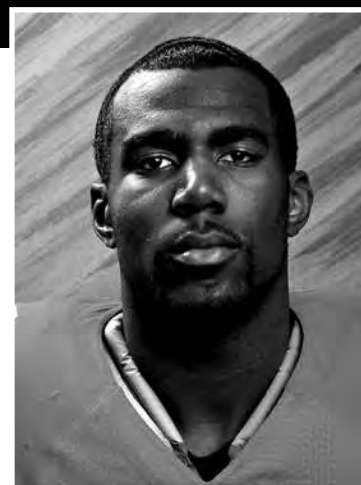
>> CORNERBACK

6-1, 201, Sr./Sr.

Piscataway High School

Piscataway, N.J.

Communication



Buckeye Bits: Fourth year as a starter in 2008 ... the leading contender for the Thorpe Award ... first-team all-Big Ten as a sophomore and junior ... usually plays on the wide side of the field but often moves around the field to cover the opponent's best receiver ... is a natural corner with great instincts and outstanding speed and quickness ... excels at man-to-man coverage ... has been timed at 4.3 in the 40-yard dash.

2007 (Junior): First Team All-America (Pro Football Weekly) ... Second team All-America (Walter Camp, AP, Rivals) ... first team all-Big Ten (media, coaches, Rivals) ... Thorpe Award semifinalist ... 47 tackles for season ... 26 career starts ... interception and eight tackles at Washington ... nine tackles in victory at Purdue ... eight tackles, two TFL in Michigan State win ... 24-yard interception in the win at Penn State ... 23-yard interception of LSU in the BCS championship game ... defensive player of week: Michigan State ... special teams dog tags: Michigan State ... Arnie Chonko award for outstanding defensive back ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Consensus first-team All-Big Ten ... started all 13 games at field corner ... tied for fourth on the team in tackles with 55 ... 40 of his tackles were solo, second-most on the team ... picked off four passes and totaled a team-high 99 return yards ... added three passes broken up and a forced fumble ... had 4.5 tackles for lost yardage, those coming at Texas, at Illinois and against Florida ... top tackle efforts were nine tackles against Bowling Green, Northwestern (eight) and Michigan (seven, all solo) ... returned a pick 61 yards for a score against Penn State

2005 (Freshman): Earned his first letter as a true freshman ... played in 10 games and worked his way into the rotation at nickel back ... started the Indiana, Minnesota and Illinois games at boundary corner in place of injured regular Tyler Everett ... missed the final two games of the regular season with an injury of his own (knee sprain), but returned to action against Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl and had a career-high nine tackles ... credited with 37 tackles ... had seven stops at Minnesota, including four solo tackles.

High School: Three-year starter who led his team to three consecutive state titles ... played both receiver and defensive back, and won all-state honors his senior year ... also excelled at track, winning the state title in the 400-meter dash as a junior ... took third place in the 200 meters as a junior and third in the hurdles as a senior at the state meet.

Personal: Son of W. Lee and Gwendolyn Jenkins ... has two younger brothers, Martin and Myles ... enjoys writing poetry and watching movies ... a leader in the Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

Malcolm Jenkins Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2005	10	23	14	37	0.0	0	.0	0	2	0	0
2006	13	40	15	55	4.5	11	.0	0	7	4	99
2007	13	27	20	44	5.0	13	.0	0	7	4	53
Total	36	90	49	136	9.5	24	.0	0	16	8	152

Before a game I like to ... listen to gospel music and have a Bible study

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... The coaches are the best you can get

Favorite cartoon character: Jerry from "Tom and Jerry"

Favorite place on campus: Hale Center

Favorite American from history: Carter G. Woodson

Favorite subject: Math

**natural
corner** with
great instincts
and outstanding
speed



mark johnson

>> DEFENSIVE LINE

6-3, 250, Jr./So.
Dorsey High School
Los Angeles, Calif.
Management and Industry

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Buckeye Bits: Converted linebacker who has moved to a spot along the defensive line ... will be in the mix behind Lawrence Wilson for increased playing time ... can also contribute on special teams.

2007 (Freshman): Saw action at linebacker for the Big Ten championships ... scout team workhorse: Minnesota, Michigan.

2006 (Redshirt): Did not play during his redshirt season.

High School: Collected 120 total tackles, including 18 for loss, and four pass break-ups as a senior ... named all-state and his league's defensive player of the year as a junior when he had 138 tackles, eight quarterback sacks and an interception.

Personal: Son of Darryl Johnson.



Before a game I like to ... read the Bible

Favorite cartoon character: Tommy from Rug Rats

Person who would play me in a movie: Jamie Foxx

Favorite food: pizza

Favorite music artist: Tupac

Favorite old-school TV show: Family Matters

Who has my gold pants: I do

Favorite former Buckeye: all of them

key contributor
on special teams



josh kerr

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>> OFFENSIVE LINE

6-4, 286, Jr./So.
Strongsville High School
Strongsville, Ohio
Sport and Leisure Studies



Buckeye Bits: Developing offensive lineman whose progress to date has been hampered by injuries ... working at tackle this preseason.

2007 (Freshman): Did not see action for the Big Ten champions due to injury.

2006 (Redshirt): Took a redshirt season and did not see varsity action for the Big Ten champions.

High School: All-state and all-conference at Strongsville High ... three-year starter ... Big 33 game.

Personal: Son of Bill and Susie Kerr ... older brother John Kerr also played for Ohio State (2003-06) ... has two other brothers, Bill and Luke, and a sister Katie.

Favorite Actor: Russell Crowe

Favorite cartoon character: Ninja Turtles

Person who would play me in a movie: Will Ferrell

Favorite food: Steak

Dream vacation: Hawaii

Favorite American from history: Patton

Favorite music artist: Korn

Favorite NFL Player: Barry Sanders

developing
offensive
lineman



shaun lane

>> DEFENSIVE BACK

5-10, 175, 5th/Sr.
Hubbard High School
Hubbard, Ohio
Family Resource Management

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Buckeye Bits: Veteran in the Buckeye secondary who adds to the team in a number of ways ... agile athlete who continues to study the game ... will give Ohio State experience and leadership among the cornerbacks ... will also provide beneficial service to the special teams.

2007(Junior): Significant contributor on defense and special teams ... 13 tackles for season ... forced a Purdue fumble in that road win ... special units player of week: Purdue, Michigan State, Illinois ... Jack Tatum hit of week: Minnesota ... special teams dog tags: Washington, Minnesota, Purdue, Michigan State, Illinois ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Moved back to cornerback after a stint at tailback

2005 (Freshman): Member of the special teams ... season ended prematurely at Minnesota when he tore his ACL ... had surgery in November and sat out winter conditioning and spring practice.

2004 (Redshirt): Took a redshirt season and did not see varsity action.

High School: Had five interceptions as a junior and four more as a senior ... also played running back and ran for more than 3,700 yards his last two years, including 2,400 yards and 27 touchdowns as a junior ... first team all-Ohio honors as a senior at running back when he averaged more than 10 yards per carry ... also returned punts in high school ... was the first commitment in the 2004 class.

Personal: Son of Garcia Lane and Denella Stanford ... has an older brother, Troy, and a younger brother, Benjamin, who plays football at Youngstown State ... also has a younger sister, Olivia ... in addition to winning All-Big Ten honors, his father was a Buckeye football co-captain in 1983.

Shaun Lane Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2005	8	1	2	3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2006	13	5	1	6	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2007	13	12	2	14	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	18	5	23	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0



Before a game I like to... picture myself making plays

Favorite cartoon character: Mighty Mouse

Favorite food: Meatloaf

Favorite place on campus: Mirror Lake

Dream vacation: Brazil

Favorite music artist: Rick Ross

If I have a spare hour I... count my blessings

Favorite former Buckeye: Garcia Lane

veteran
secondary with
experience
and **leadership**



dexter larimore

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>> DEFENSIVE TACKLE

6-3, 300, Jr./So.
Merrillville High School
Merrillville, Ind.
Finance



Buckeye Bits: Talented and productive defensive tackle who will continue to factor more into OSU's defensive line rotation this fall ... an extremely tough, physical player.

2007 (Freshman): Redshirt freshman who was a contributor along the defensive line ... 16 tackles, 5.5 TFL for season ... starter at Purdue ... sack and three tackles against Michigan State ... fumble recovery and TFL in the Wisconsin win ... sack at Michigan ... Attack Force award: Youngstown State, Kent State ... Big Ten all-academic ... first-year letterman.

2006 (Redshirt): OSU coaches thought there was a chance he could factor into the defensive line rotation right away, but the decision was made to redshirt him ... spent the year gaining strength and knowledge of OSU's system.

High School: Collected 88 tackles, 57 of which were solo stops, 17 tackles for loss (47 yards), five quarterback sacks, 13 QB pressures and three passes batted down as a senior ... graded at 90-percent offensively with 18 pancakes ... first-team 5A all-state and conference

defensive player of the year ... all-state as a junior when he had five quarterback sacks, 52 tackles (26 solos), 12 tackles for loss (56 yards), 10 QB pressures and one fumble recovery ... graded at 87-percent with 17 pancakes as a junior ... as a heavyweight wrestler, owned a 160-15 career record ... was the state runner-up as a sophomore and junior before winning state as a senior and ending the season ranked the No. 1 in the nation ... placed seventh in the state in the shot put as a junior and returned to the finals as a senior.

Personal: Son of Jeff and Theresia Larimore.

Favorite Actress: Jessica Alba

Favorite food: Steak

Car I'd most like to drive: old Mustang

Favorite American from history: Theodore Roosevelt

Favorite music artist: Kenny Chesney

If I have a spare hour I ... would fish

Favorite subject: Ceramics

Favorite former Buckeye: Tom Skladany

**extremely
tough, physical
player**

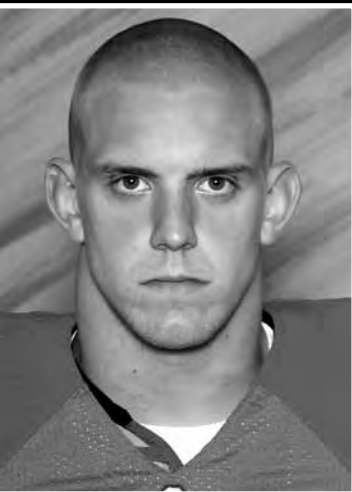


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>> LINEBACKER

6-3, 240, Sr./Sr.
Wayzata High School
Hamel, Minn.
Communication

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Buckeye Bits: Returning All-American, Butkus and Nagurski Award recipient ... the most proficient linebacker in the college ranks today ... smart, instinctive player who studies every facet of the game ... exceptional dedication in the weight room and on the practice field ... wants to make his senior season his best yet.

2007 (Junior): All-America linebacker and Butkus Award winner ... Big Ten defensive player of the year ... Nagurski, Lombardi, Bednarik, Lott, Walter Camp player of the year finalist ... first team All-America (Walter Camp, FWAA, AFCA, Sporting News, AP, Rivals) ... led team with 121 tackles ... first team all-Big Ten ... voted team captain ... 25 career starts ... pair of interceptions at Washington ... 14 tackles at Minnesota ... 12 tackles against Michigan State ... career-best 19 tackles in Wisconsin win, along with two TFL and a fumble recovery ... 12 tackles vs. Illinois ... BCS championship game record 18 tackles vs. LSU ... defensive player of week: Youngstown State, Akron ... Attack Force award: Washington, Minnesota, Wisconsin ... special teams dog tags: Wisconsin ... Big Ten player of week: Washington, Wisconsin ... Bill Willis award for defensive MVP ... Big Ten all-academic.

James Laurinaitis Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	S	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2005	12	3	6	9	0.5	0	.0	0	0	0	0
2006	13	53	62	115	8.5	44	4.0	40	7	5	56
2007	13	51	70	121	8.5	34	5.0	29	3	2	16
Total	38	107	138	245	17.5	78	9.0	69	10	7	72

2006 (Sophomore): Won the 2006 Nagurski Award as the nation's best defensive player ... finalist for the Butkus and Bednarik awards as a true sophomore ... first-team All-Big Ten ... Walter Camp and FWAA All-America ... starting all 13 games, led the Buckeyes with 115 tackles, including 53 solo stops ... paced the Buckeyes with five interceptions ... returned first career interception 25 yards in a 24-7 win at No. 2 Texas ... had a two-yard interception return vs. Cincinnati and then had a 13-yard INT return in a 28-6 victory vs. Penn State ... picked off a pass for the fourth straight game late in the fourth quarter at No. 13 Iowa ... fourth-quarter interception at Illinois ... forced two Texas fumbles, one on the goal line, and another at Northwestern ... Big Ten defensive player of week (Texas) ... team weekly defensive honors five times.

2005 (Freshman): Played in all 12 games and had nine tackles as a true freshman behind Bobby Carpenter on the strong side ... played almost the entire Michigan game after Carpenter suffered a broken ankle on the first play ... started the bowl against Notre Dame.

High School: Named Minnesota's Defensive Mr. Football as a senior ... collected 193 tackles, including 28 tackles-for-loss and five sacks as a senior after racking up 160 tackles as a junior ... led Wayzata to the Minnesota 5A state championship game as a senior ... also a hockey standout and team captain as a senior.

Personal: Son of Joe and Julie Laurinaitis ... his father was a popular professional wrestler known as "the Animal" of the Legion of Doom ... has an older brother, Joey (a Dayton policeman), and a younger sister, Jessica, who plays hockey.



Favorite Actress: Kate Hudson

Favorite Actor: Will Ferrell

Before a game I like to ... pray

Favorite cartoon character: Shrek

Favorite food: Pizza

Favorite American from history: George Washington

Favorite old-school TV show: American Gladiators

Favorite subject: Journalism

**smart,
instinctive**
player who
studies
every facet of
the game



ryan lukens

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>> RUNNING BACK

6-0, 238, 5th/Sr.
Lebanon, Ohio
Archbishop Moeller
Graduate



Buckeye Bits: Converted linebacker who has made the move to fullback ... will contend for a starting role there this season ... graduated in June and will enter OSU's veterinary school in September.

2007 (Junior): Physical defender ... strong contributor on three special teams units ... scout team workhorse: Youngstown State, Wisconsin, Michigan ... Big Ten all-academic ... first-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Saw limited action on special teams for the Big Ten champions.

2005 (Freshman): Worked primarily with the Buckeye scout team.

2004 (Redshirt): Joined the Ohio State football program as a walk-on ... redshirted his first season.

High School: Team captain at Archbishop Moeller High School ... first team all-Cincinnati and second team all-state at linebacker ... earned three letters in wrestling, winning the state championship at 189 lbs. as a junior ... placed sixth at the state championship as a senior ... honor roll student.

Personal: Son of Bill and Mikki Lukens ... has a brother, Nick, and a sister, Bethany ... father Bill and uncle Joe were both football captains at Ohio State.



Pets: 2 black labs

Favorite Actor: Ed Norton

Before a game I like to ... listen to music

Favorite cartoon character: Wiley Coyote

Dream vacation: Greek Islands

Favorite old-school TV show: Seinfeld

Favorite subject: Biology

Favorite former Buckeye: Bill Lukens

transitioning
from physical
defender to
running back



andrew miller

>> OFFENSIVE LINE

6-6, 279, Jr./So.
Trinity High School
Washington, Pa.
Consumer Affairs

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Buckeye Bits: Promising offensive tackle who will work behind veteran Alex Boone this season ... converted tight end with the strength to control and block on the perimeter ... intelligent player.

2007 (Freshman): A reserve offensive tackle for the Big Ten champions ... scout team workhorse: Penn State.

2006 (Redshirt): Did not see action during his redshirt season.

High School: Caught 11 passes for 270 yards and four touchdowns as a senior ... All-Pennsylvania ... Pittsburgh Post Gazette Fabulous 22 and Pittsburgh Tribune Review Terrific 25 ... also a three-year starter on the basketball squad and averaged 10 points per game ... National Honor Society member ... owned a GPA just under 4.00.

Personal: Son of Raymond and Lynne Miller.



Favorite Actor: Denzel Washington

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... the people and the tradition

Car I'd most like to drive: A truck so big it couldn't fit anywhere

Dream vacation: Hawaii

Favorite American from history: Theodore Roosevelt

Favorite music artist: Dave Matthews

**intelligent
player** with the
strength to block
on the perimeter

kyle mitchum

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>> OFFENSIVE GUARD

6-3, 291, 5th/Sr.

McDowell High School

Erie, Pa.

Family Resource Management



Buckeye Bits: Enters 2008 listed as the backup at left guard to Steve Rehring but can play on either side

2007 (Junior): Saw limited action for the Big Ten champions due to injury in 2007

2006 (Sophomore): Played in all 13 games, almost entirely on special teams.

2005 (Freshman): Made his college debut at left guard against San Diego State in week three ... logged four minutes against the Aztecs ... also made brief appearances against Illinois and Northwestern for his first Big Ten action.

2004 (Redshirt): Did not play in any games his redshirt season.

High School: Was a two-way standout ... won second-team all-state honors as a junior and was a first-team pick as a senior ... graded out to 87 percent as a blocker his senior year ... also played defense and recorded 75 tackles, including 18 tackles-for-loss, as a senior ... was highly sought after in high school and one of the gems of the 2004 recruiting class ... a Parade All-America pick and a member of the USA Today All-Star team ... played in the U.S. Army All-Star game in San Antonio.

Personal: Son of Darcy Cross ... is the first player from Erie since Brian and Chris Stablein (1989-92).

Favorite Actress: Eva Mendez

Favorite food: Pizza

Favorite place on campus: Adriatico's

Dream vacation: Fiji

Favorite music artist: Lil' Wayne

Who has my gold pants: Mom

Favorite former Buckeye: Jeff Uhlenhake

can play on
either side of
the ball

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>> LINEBACKER

6-0, 216, Jr./So.
Colerain High School
Cincinnati, Ohio
Exploring

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Buckeye Bits: Has played both linebacker and strong safety at Ohio State ... enters the season listed behind Curtis Terry at strong-side linebacker ... possesses quality speed ... is versatile and likes to hit.

2007 (Freshman): Worked as a reserve linebacker ... strong performer on special teams ... eight tackles for the season ... blocked a Youngstown State punt ... special teams dog tags: Youngstown State, Wisconsin ... first-year letterman.

2006 (Redshirt): Redshirted as a member of the scout team, but was very impressive in practice and turned heads on more than one occasion.

High School: 2005 Ohio Div. I Defensive Player of the Year ... totaled 123 tackles, including 15.5 sacks and 29 tackles for loss, as a senior and forced two fumbles ... Ohio's 2005 Southwest District Player of the Year ... Ohio North-South All-Star selection ... helped lead Colerain to the 2004 Ohio Div. I state title and 15-0 record.

Personal: Son of Mike and Amy Moeller.



Best moment of 2007 season: Beating Michigan

Favorite cartoon character: Superman

Favorite place on campus: Woody Hayes Center

Car I'd most like to drive: Something fast

Dream vacation: On an island

If I have a spare hour I ... relax

Favorite subject: Math

Favorite former Buckeye: Tom Skladany

quality speed,
versatile and
likes to hit



andrew moses

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>> OFFENSIVE LINE

6-3, 280, Sr./Jr.
Bishop Watterson High School
Dublin, Ohio
Political Science and Communication



Buckeye Bits: Offensive lineman who is a veteran of the Buckeye program ... working behind Jim Cordle at center ... member of the OSU Honors Program ... selected for prestigious Mortar Board honorary in Spring, 2008.

2007 (Sophomore): Played in seven games in a backup role along the offensive line for the Big Ten champions.

2006 (Freshman): Worked primarily on the Buckeye scout team

2005 (Redshirt): Joined the Ohio State football program as a walk-on ... took a redshirt his first season at OSU.

High School: Helped Bishop Watterson High to the football state championship in 2002, the final four in 2004 and the elite eight in 2003 ... 74 tackles, seven sacks and an interception as a senior ... also helped the basketball team to the state elite eight ... captain in both sports ... 2004 Dispatch lineman of the year ... all-state in football and all-conference in football and basketball ... scholar-athlete award ... Watterson senior leadership team.

Personal: Son of Ann and Charley Moses, both OSU grads ... has one brother, Chris, another OSU alum ... his grandfather helped found the Ohio State ophthalmology department.

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... it's the best combination of football and scholastic prestige in the USA

Favorite cartoon character: GI Joe

Car I'd most like to drive: Hybrid jeep

Favorite American from history: John Glenn

Favorite music artist: The Beatles

Favorite old-school TV show: MASH

Favorite subject: Politics

member of the
Ohio State
**honors
program**



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>> TIGHT END

6-5, 252, Sr./Jr.
Beaver Area High School
Beaver, Pa.
Family Resource Management

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Buckeye Bits: Veteran leader who will be in his third year as a starter in 2008 ... teams with Jake Ballard to give the Buckeyes a double threat at tight end ... has excellent size and speed, runs good routes, can get deep and is a good technician ... devoted to film study and analysis ... on track to graduate in December.

2007 (Junior): Shared starter's role at tight end with Ballard ... 16 receptions gained 84 yards for season ... 21 career starts ... leading receiver at Penn State with six catches ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Played in all 13 games and made 10 starts, including the last six games ... three of his 13 receptions were touchdowns, including two against Indiana ... catches covered 151 yards ... averaged 11.6 yards per catch ... long catch of the year was a 38-yard touchdown pass from Ted Ginn Jr. on an end-around against Indiana ... also caught a 23-yard TD pass from Troy Smith against the Hoosiers ... scored first touchdown of the season against Bowling Green, a 3-yard haul from Smith.

2005 (Redshirt): Went into fall camp contending for a possible starting spot, but a broken right foot in late August ended his season ...

Rory Nicol Career Receiving Stats

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2004	10	3	34	1	23
2006	13	13	151	3	38
2007	13	16	84	0	11
Total	36	32	269	4	38

underwent rehab Winter Quarter and was cleared to play in the spring.

2004 (Freshman): Made a favorable impression in preseason camp and was one of the first freshmen to crack the two-deep ... made his college debut in the season opener against Cincinnati and was in for 10 minutes ... logged nine minutes at Iowa and a then career-high 15 minutes against Indiana ... hauled in his first touchdown catch at Iowa, helping the Buckeyes' avoid their first shutout since 1993 in a 33-7 loss ... improved with each outing ... had two receptions against Oklahoma State in the Alamo Bowl game ... began the year wearing jersey No. 86, but switched to 88 to avoid any conflict with punter Kyle Turano (who also wore 86) when playing on the punt team.

High School: Caught 18 passes for 234 yards and five touchdowns as a senior ... three-year varsity starter ... named to the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette's "Fab 22" and the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review's Terrific 25 as a senior ... also was named to the Patriot News Platinum 33 team ... all-conference selection as both a sophomore and junior ... had 15 catches for 168 yards and one touchdown as a junior ... also played linebacker and finished with 78 tackles, 6.5 sacks and two interceptions as a junior.

Personal: Son of Bob and Kathy Nicol ... enjoys playing basketball as relaxation ... has two sisters: Ashley, who graduated from Virginia Tech, and Lisa, who attends Pitt ... one of the football representatives to Ohio State's Student-Athlete Advisory Board



Best moment of 2007 season: Beating Michigan

Favorite cartoon character: Bart Simpson

Car I'd most like to drive: Chevy Tahoe

Dream vacation: Acapulco

Favorite music artist: Jason Marz

Favorite old-school TV show: Saved By The Bell

Who has my gold pants: Mom has all 3

Favorite former Buckeye: Bobby Carpenter

**excellent size
and speed,
runs good routes**



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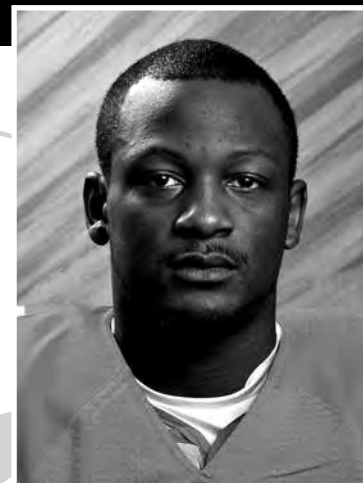
>> DEFENSIVE BACK

6-0, 215, So./Fr.

St. Edward High School

Cleveland, Ohio

Sport and Leisure Studies



Buckeye Bits: Versatile athlete who can contribute in a number of roles within the Buckeye secondary ... will also make an impact on special teams ... will begin the season at strong safety behind Kurt Coleman.

2007 (Redshirt): Did not see action for the Big Ten champions ... took a redshirt.

High School: Rated the No. 11 safety prospect in America and the No. 5 recruit overall in Ohio ... totaled 80 tackles, 13 tackles for loss, three interceptions, four sacks, six pass break-ups and four fumble recoveries as a senior and led St Edwards to the regional semi-finals ... 2006 first-team All-Ohio ... 70 tackles, 12 tackles for loss, two interceptions and two forced fumbles earned him All-Ohio honors as a junior ... runs a 4.55 40-yard dash ... three-year varsity starter ... his class lost only three games in high school ... named MVP of the second annual Kirk Herbstreit Classic.

Personal: Son of Nathaniel Oliver Sr. and Darlene Gibson ... has six siblings ... is a cousin of current Buckeye Thaddeus Gibson ... cousin Jahmal Brown started at safety for Bowling Green.

Before a game I like to ... listen to Lil' Wayne

Best moment of 2007 season: winning the Big Ten championship

Favorite cartoon character: Scooby Doo

Favorite food: Mama's mac and cheese

Dream vacation: Cruise to Jamaica

Favorite American from history: Sojourner Truth

Favorite old-school TV show: Golden Girls or The Jeffersons

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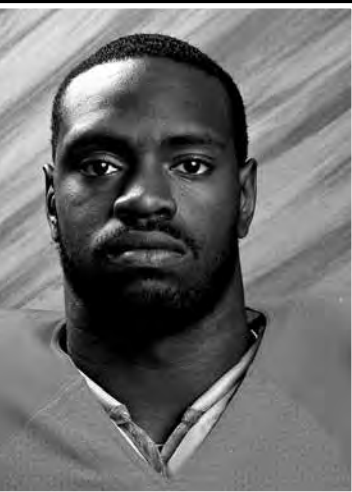


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>> STRONG SAFETY

6-1, 205, Sr./Sr.
Glenville High School
Cleveland, Ohio
African-American and African Studies

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Buckeye Bits: Versatile veteran in the Buckeye secondary ... a good athlete with outstanding speed who can literally play any of the four defensive back positions ... enjoys the physical aspect of playing safety.

2007 (Junior): Experienced contributor at safety and on special teams ... 14 tackles for the season ... forced and recovered an Akron fumble ... Jack Tatum hit of week: Northwestern ... special teams dog tags: Penn State, Illinois ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Took over the starting spot at strong safety in week six at Iowa and stayed in the starting lineup the next seven weeks to close out the season ... played in all 13 games ... hauled in his first collegiate interception in the win over Minnesota ... finished the regular season with 30 tackles, including 14 solo ... had career-high six tackles in the national championship game ... had half a sack in the season-opening win over Northern Illinois ... broke up a pass at Iowa in his first collegiate start.

2005 (Freshman): Ohio State coaches wasted little time deciding

not to redshirt him ... played in all 12 games for a total of 29 minutes ... played seven minutes in the season opener against Miami and five minutes against Indiana and Northwestern ... a solo stop at Indiana on kickoff coverage was his first collegiate tackle ... had his first career assisted tackle against Northwestern three weeks later ... also got on the field from time-to-time as the nickel back.

High School: All-Ohio as a junior and again as a senior ... was a Parade All-America as a senior ... had 65 tackles, three interceptions and three sacks as a senior ... started at cornerback in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl ... was Ohio State's first verbal commitment to its 2005 recruiting class, announcing before his junior season ... also a track and field standout, placing fifth in the state in the 100-meter dash at the 2004 state championships ... played his first two years of high school ball at Mansfield Senior before transferring to Glenville.

Personal: Son of Walter Jefferson ... has six siblings, four older and two younger ... enjoys listening to music and playing video games.

Jamario O'Neal career tackle stats

year	G	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	SK	Yds	PD	Int	Yds
2005	12	1	1	2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2006	13	14	16	30	0.5	4	1.0	4	2	1	0
2007	13	10	4	14	2.0	7	0.0	0	1	0	0
TOTALS	38	25	21	46	2.5	11	1.0	4	3	1	0



Nicknames: JO, J-Mo

I chose to be a Buckeye because: Of the tradition

Favorite food: Seafood

Favorite place on campus: The Oval

Dream vacation: Jamaica

Favorite music artist: Lil Wayne

Favorite NFL Player: Donte Whitner

Favorite subject: Hip Hop Dance

good athlete
who enjoys the
physical
aspect of playing
safety

nick patterson

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>> DEFENSIVE BACK

6-1, 209, 5th/Sr.
Hazelwood Central High School
St. Louis, Mo.
Operations Management



Buckeye Bits: Capable veteran who can play either safety position ... tall, rangy and athletic ... a hitter, runs well and is an instinctive player. ... on track to graduate in December.

2007 (Junior): Played in the secondary and on three special teams units ... six tackles for the season ... 34-yard interception in the Northwestern win ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Played in all 13 games and started the season-opener at free safety ... finished the regular season with five tackles, two of which were solos ... had two tackles against NIU and one each against Bowling Green, Minnesota and Northwestern.

2005 (Freshman): Played a total of 18 minutes and was in on six tackles – four solos and two assists ... made his collegiate debut in the season opener against Miami (Ohio) and had two tackles, both solos ... credited with two assists against Northwestern ... also recorded solo stops against Indiana and Northwestern ... played five minutes against Northwestern and three against Indiana.

2004 (Redshirt): Did not play in any games and was redshirted.

High School: Was a two-way standout at Hazelwood Central, where he caught 45 passes for 876 yards and 11 touchdowns and was in on 74 tackles and had a pair of interceptions as a senior ... had 48 tackles and four interceptions as a junior

Personal: Son of Johnny and Rosalyn Patterson.

Nick Patterson Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2005	12	4	2	6	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2006	13	2	3	5	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2007	13	4	2	6	0.0	0	0.0	0	1	1	34
Totals	38	10	7	17	0.0	0	0.0	0	1	1	34

Nickname: Topp

OSU record I would most like to break: Most interceptions in season

Favorite food: Macaroni & Cheese

Person I would most like to star in a video with: Beyonce Knowle & Janet Jackson

Favorite place on campus: South Campus

Favorite music artist: Nelly

tall, rangy and
athletic hitter



rocco pentello

>> DEFENSIVE BACK

6-0, 194, So./Fr.
Westerville South High School
Westerville, Ohio
Exploring

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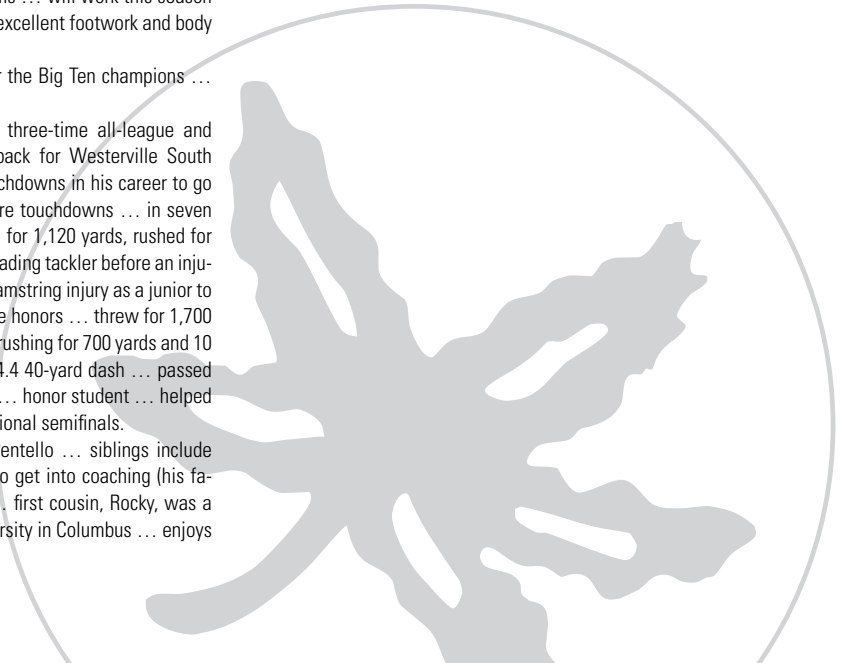


Buckeye Bits: Up-and-coming defender who can have an impact in the Buckeye secondary and on special teams ... will work this season at free safety behind Anderson Russell ... excellent footwork and body control.

2007 (Redshirt): Did not see action for the Big Ten champions ... took a redshirt season.

High School: Two-time All-Ohio and three-time all-league and all-district ... played safety and quarterback for Westerville South ... totaled 6,400 yards passing and 77 touchdowns in his career to go along with 3,100 yards rushing and 39 more touchdowns ... in seven games as a senior, was 78-for-120 passing for 1,120 yards, rushed for over 1,000 yards and was also the team's leading tackler before an injury ended his season ... battled through a hamstring injury as a junior to earn all-conference, all-district and all-state honors ... threw for 1,700 yards and 22 touchdowns as a junior while rushing for 700 yards and 10 touchdowns ... runs a 3.85 shuttle and a 4.4 40-yard dash ... passed for more than 2,000 yards as a sophomore ... honor student ... helped Westerville South reach the 2006 Div. I regional semifinals.

Personal: Son of Rocky and Angela Pentello ... siblings include Brittni, Tiffany and Nickey ... would like to get into coaching (his father was his head coach in high school) ... first cousin, Rocky, was a record-setting quarterback at Capital University in Columbus ... enjoys playing the guitar and video games.



Pets: Rottweiler Argus

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... I am from Ohio and have always been a Buckeye fan

Favorite cartoon character: Tigger

Person who would play me in a movie: someone quiet

Favorite food: spaghetti

Car I'd most like to drive: Shelby Mustang GT 500

Dream vacation: Italy

up-and-coming impact defender

ben person

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>> OFFENSIVE GUARD

6-3, 323, 5th/Sr.

Xenia High School

Xenia, Ohio

Family Resource Management



Buckeye Bits: Heads into 2008 as Ohio State's returning starter at right guard ... physical player with good power and quickness ... coaches like his work ethic and competitive nature ... should have his degree after the summer quarter.

2007 (Junior): Started every game at right guard for the Big Ten champions ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Played all 12 regular-season games as a member of the second-string offensive line and on special teams.

2005 (Freshman): Did not play in the first three games, but saw action in the last nine with the extra point and field goal units ... seven minutes at right guard against Illinois was his longest stint.

2004 (Redshirt): Spent his first season on the scout team becoming familiar with the Ohio State offense and improving his strength.

High School: Was a three-year starter at left tackle, starting 30 consecutive games ... did not allow a sack in either of his last two years ... won all-league and all-area honors as a senior when he graded out to over 80 percent in terms of blocking efficiency ... also played four years of basketball and lettered his last two years ... was one of the first players in the class of 2004 to commit to the Buckeyes and his early declaration was instrumental in attracting a number of other players.

Personal: Son of Randy and Cheryl Person ... his younger brother Brian plays football and is on the track team at Xenia ... enjoys spending time with friends and playing the piano (studied through his junior year in high school) ... is a fan of country music and John Grisham novels.

Before a game I like to ... listen to my Ipod

Name of your first youth league team: Wee Bucks

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... there's no place better

Favorite place on campus: Younkin

Car I'd most like to drive: F350 truck

Favorite music artist: Trace Adkins

Favorite subject: Financial planning

Favorite former Buckeye: Jeff Uhlenhake

**physical
player** with
good power and
quickness



aaron pettrey

>> PLACE-KICKER

6-2, 199, Sr./Jr.
 Raceland Worthington High School
 Raceland, Ky.
 Sport and Leisure Studies

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Buckeye Bits: Another weapon in the Buckeye arsenal of kickers ... walked on in 2005 and made such a favorable impression that he was converted to scholarship at the end of winter quarter 2006 ... career long field goal is 51 yards ... has a live, accurate leg.

2007 (Sophomore): Handled the Buckeyes' kickoffs in 2007 ... hampered by a hip flexor strain during first half of season ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Finished the season 8-of-11 in the field goal department and 55-of-58 on extra-points ... made one of his first three field goal attempts, but his only miss after that was a 53-yard attempt vs. Penn State ... converted his last five field goals, including a 51-yarder against Indiana and a 50-yarder at Illinois ... none of his 61 kickoffs in the regular season went out of bounds and 35 were not brought out of the end zone ... four of his five kickoffs at Texas were touchbacks and he went 5-for-7 in that category vs. Cincinnati and at Iowa ... named Ohio State's special units player of the week three times.

Aaron Pettrey Field Goal Career Stats

Year	FGM	FGA	Pct	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
2006	8	11	72.7	0-0	0-1	3-3	3-4	2-3	51	0
Year	PAT	MADE	PCT	PTS						
2006	55	58	94.8	79						

2005 (Redshirt): Walked on in the fall and was redshirted ... converted to grant-in-aid at the end of winter quarter.

High School: Played quarterback and handled the kicking and punting duties ... set one state record with a 58-yard field goal and set another for career completion percentage by a quarterback ... also played basketball and baseball.

Personal: Son of Steve and Lillian Pettrey ... has two younger siblings ... likes to relax by going home and spending time with his friends and family.



Favorite Actor: Owen Wilson

Best moment of 2007 season: Outright Big Ten champs

Favorite food: Chinese

Favorite American from history: Ben Franklin

Favorite music artist: Gary Allan

If I have a spare hour I... play golf

Favorite old-school TV show: Boy Meets World

Favorite former Buckeye: Josh Huston

has a **live,**
accurate leg

ryan pretorius

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>> PLACE-KICKER

5-9, 169, 5th/Sr.
Westville Boys
Durban, South Africa
Marketing

Buckeye Bits: Another of Ohio State's talented kickers ... has 50-yard range and is accurate ... at 29, is the oldest player on the Ohio State squad ... played high school soccer and rugby ... was on vacation in France and decided to visit the United States and explore the possibility of playing football on the collegiate level ... made a video of himself and sent it to numerous schools at the suggestion of former NFL player Gary Anderson, who also is from Durban and is a friend of the family ... was offered a spot as a preferred walk-on and enrolled in the fall of 2004.

2007 (Junior): Won the job as the Ohio State placekicker during preseason camp ... Lou Groza Award semifinalist ... 48-49 on PAT for the season ... 18-23 on field goals, with four blocked ... three field goals made at Purdue ... 50-yard field goal at Penn State was career long, one of three FG against the Lions ... special units player of week: Youngstown State, Penn State ... special teams dog tags: Youngstown State, Akron, Northwestern, Purdue, Kent State, Penn State ... Big Ten all-academic ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Attempted two field goal attempts, both of which came from more than 50 yards out ... connected on a 52-yarder vs. Cincinnati after missing a 51-yard attempt in the season-opener vs. Northern Illinois ... kicked off 19 times during the regular-season, none of which went out of bounds and three of which were touchbacks.

2005 (Freshman): Made his lone two appearances of the year against Indiana and Northwestern and had a kickoff in each game ... neither was returned.

2004 (Redshirt): Worked with the kickers, but did not get into any games.

High School: Played soccer and rugby and ran track (the 800) ... was the captain of the soccer and rugby teams ... received honors in both soccer and rugby ... has literally played rugby around the world.

Personal: Son of Denny and Terry Pretorius ... has a younger sister, Julie, who lives near London ... enjoys all sports (rugby, tennis, skiing or just anything with a ball).



Ryan Pretorius Career Field Goal Stats

Year	G	Att	Made	Lg	Pct
2005	2	0	0	0	0.0
2006	8	2	1	52	50.0
2007	13	23	18	50	78.3
Total	23	25	19	52	76.0

Favorite Actress: Charlize Theron

Before a game I like to ... Focus and pray

Best moment of 2007 season: 50-yard field goal against Penn State

Person who would play me in a movie: someone with an accent

Favorite place on campus: Gateway

Favorite music artist: anything country

Favorite subject: marketing

has **50-yard range** and is accurate



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>> OFFENSIVE GUARD

6-7, 335, 5th./Sr.

Lakota West High School

West Chester, Ohio

Graduate

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Buckeye Bits: Enters his third year as the starter at left guard... big, strong, powerful and surprisingly quick and agile ... earned his bachelor's degree in March.

2007 (Junior): Started every game at left guard for the Big Ten champions ... 23 career starts ... Jim Parker lineman of week: Kent State ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Moved into the starting lineup in the Penn State game and started all nine games to end the season ... named team's offensive lineman of the week the week before vs. Cincinnati ... team averaged 348.2 yards of total offense when he started ... protected quarterback Troy Smith and helped the Buckeyes average 229.7 yards passing per game in 2006 ... Buckeyes also ran for 180.1 yards per game for an average of 409.8 total yards per game ... offense racked up a season-high 540 yards vs. Indiana and 503 yards against Michigan also bettered 400 yards eight times ... offensive line allowed just 12 sacks in the regular season.

2005 (Redshirt): Played in the first three games of the season, including 18 minutes in the season opener against Miami (Ohio) ... became ill before the Iowa game and was hospitalized at the Ohio State Medical Center ... lost 30 pounds during his illness and went home to recover after he was released from the hospital ... returned to school in time to complete his course work for Fall Quarter was playing quality minutes before becoming ill ... his loss, coupled with the loss of Kirk Barton at Penn State, left the Buckeyes without two of their better young linemen during the first half of the Big Ten season.

2004 (Freshman): Enrolled at the start of Winter Quarter in January and took part in winter conditioning and spring drills ... moved into the No. 2 spot at left tackle behind Robbie Sims once the coaches took off his redshirt ... made his college debut in week seven against Indiana ... played significant minutes the next two weeks against Penn State and Michigan State and started the latter for the injured Rob Sims ... his development allowed Sims to move inside to guard from time-to-time depending on the Buckeyes' needs ... third among the freshmen in playing time behind Ted Ginn Jr. and Antonio Pittman ... earned his first letter.

High School: A Top 100 player in everybody's poll ... two-year starter at offensive tackle ... first-team all-Ohio as a senior ... all southwest Ohio as a junior ... was a member of the track and field team as a junior (shot put).

Personal: Son of Bob and Eileen Rehring ... has one older brother, Joe ... enjoys video games ... likes to play basketball and racquetball.



Favorite Actress: Jennifer Aniston

Favorite cartoon character: Underdog

Car I'd most like to drive: Bentley

Dream vacation: Fiji

Favorite music artist: Kenny Chesney

If I have a spare hour I ... play video games

Favorite old-school TV show: Married With Children

Favorite former Buckeye: Doug Datish

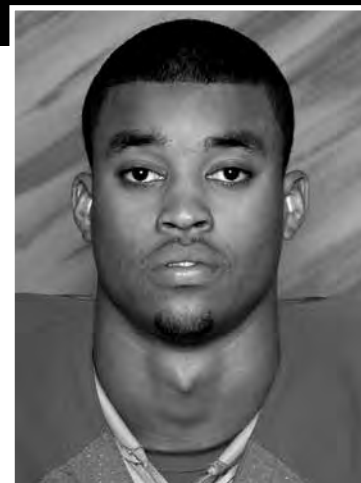
**big, strong,
powerful** and
surprisingly
quick and agile

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>> WIDE RECEIVER

6-3, 199, Sr./Sr.
Chagrin Falls High School
Cleveland, Ohio
Marketing



Buckeye Bits: Leading returning receiver for a second straight season ... starter at split end ... has outstanding speed and quickness, is blessed with good hands and has demonstrated a knack for finding the open seam in the defense ... part of Ohio State's Big Ten runner-up and NCAA qualifying 4x100 relay in outdoor track.

2007 (Junior): Led the Buckeyes with 55 receptions for 935 yards, with 11 scores ... first team ESPN/CoSIDA Academic All-America (3.50 in marketing) and a finalist for Arthur Ashe Sports Scholar ... Biletnikoff Award semifinalist ... second team all-Big Ten (Rivals) ... nine catches gained 153 yards against Youngstown State ... 68-yard TD from Boeckman at Washington ... three TD catches (42, 28, 19) in Northwestern win ... gained 99 yards on five catches with a 52-yard TD at Minnesota ... 50-yard TD reception in Michigan State win ... two TD catches against Wisconsin ... offensive player of week: Youngstown State, Minnesota ... Paul Warfield award for outstanding receiver ... Big Ten all-academic.

2006 (Sophomore): Played all 13 games and made five starts ... 29 catches for 383 yards and five touchdowns ... assisted Troy Smith with highlight reel catches time and time again ... touchdowns came against Penn State Iowa, Michigan State, Minnesota and Michigan ... broke a 7-7 tie with a 37-yard touchdown pass from Smith to start the fourth quarter against Michigan ... caught a 12-yard TD pass from Smith at Iowa that lifted the Buckeyes to a 38-17 victory ... caught a 7-yard TD pass from Smith in the third quarter at Michigan State ... made an 18-yard grab for a score vs. Minnesota ... gave the Buckeyes

a 42-31 lead with 5:38 to play against Michigan with a 13-yard TD catch from Smith ... seven receptions for 89 yards vs. the Wolverines, both top efforts as a Buckeye.

2005 (Freshman): Made an early impression with his athletic ability and nailed down a spot on the special teams ... appeared in all 12 games, most of his playing time on special teams ... had a 13-yard reception against San Diego State on which he knifed between two defenders and picked up additional yardage.

High School: First-team All-Ohio honors as a senior ... set Chagrin Falls career receiving records with 118 catches for 1,885 yards and 34 touchdowns ... caught 47 passes as a senior for 754 yards and 12 touchdowns ... also scored on a 95-yard punt return and an interception return and averaged 14.9 yards per punt run back ... led Chagrin Falls to a 9-3 overall record and the conference championship in 2004.

Personal: Son of Terry and Cynthia Robiskie ... his father played in the NFL and is currently the wide receivers coach of the Atlanta Falcons.

Brian Robiskie Career Receiving Stats

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2005	12	1	13	0	13
2006	13	29	383	5	39
2007	13	55	935	11	68
Total	38	85	1331	16	68

Favorite Actress: Lauren London

Favorite Actor: Will Smith

I chose to be a Buckeye because... tradition of great receivers

Favorite cartoon character: Riley from Boondocks

Person who would play me in a movie: I would play myself

Favorite music artist: Lupe Fiasco

Favorite former Buckeye: Cris Carter

Favorite NFL Player: Jerry Rice

outstanding
speed and
quickness, **good**
hands



brian rolle

>> LINEBACKER

5-11, 221, So./So.
Immokalee High School
Immokalee, Fla.
Education

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Buckeye Bits: Promising young defender with ability to contribute in a number of roles ... explosive hitter who packs a punch ... is working this spring at wide-side linebacker behind Marcus Freeman and Ross Homan ... battled some injuries during the off-season.

2007 (Freshman): True freshman was an impact player on special teams, playing on three of those units ... 18 tackles for the season ... team-high seven tackles and a sack against Kent State ... special units player of week: Northwestern ... scout team workhorse: Akron ... special teams dog tags: Akron, Northwestern, Michigan State ... first-year letterman.

High School: Rated as the No. 6 weakside linebacker prospect in the nation and the No. 12 prospect overall in Florida ... twice named all-state and the only two-time winner of the Naples Daily News Broxson Trophy, which is given to the best football player in South Lee and Collier counties ... finished his senior season with 125 tackles to go along with 902 yards rushing and 17 touchdowns from the fullback position ... voted 2005 Defensive Player of the Year in his area ... key contributor on Immokalee's 2004 Class 2A state championship team ... named to the Florida Athletic Coaches Association North/South All-Star game ... anchored a defense that set school records for fewest points allowed (36) and most shutouts (six) in a season ... collected 158 tackles as a junior to go along with 548 yards rushing and eight touchdowns on 70 carries ... two-time team captain.

Personal: Son of Arthur and Sandra Coleman ... has five siblings ... relative of Arizona Cardinal Antrel Rolle ... brother William played football at Illinois State ... enjoys running, playing video games and weightlifting.



I chose to be a Buckeye because...this is where men are made

Favorite food: Pasta

Dream vacation: Madrid, Spain

Favorite American from history: W.E.B. DuBois

Favorite music artist: Keisha Cole

If I have a spare hour I... would read Bible quotes or go over my math

Favorite old-school TV show- Cosby

explosive hitter
who **packs a**
punch

rob rose

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>> DEFENSIVE END

6-5, 285, Jr./Jr.
 Glenville High School
 Cleveland, Ohio

African-American and African Studies



Buckeye Bits: Will work to gain increased playing time at one of the defensive end spots ... gifted with great size, speed and strength ... has unlimited potential to succeed.

2007 (Sophomore): Hampered by left and right shoulder injuries throughout the season ... starter in four games ... sack in the victory over Kent State ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Saw action in eight regular-season games ... totaled seven tackles, including 3.5 quarterback sacks for 23 yards ... five of his seven stops were solo ... had two tackles each against Cincinnati (both sacks) and Michigan State (including a half sack) ... his other sack came in the win over Penn State ... contributed on special teams with the punt return unit.

High School: Totaled 77 tackles, including 45 solo stops, as a senior ... collected 17 quarterback sacks and 13 tackles behind the line of scrimmage ... deflected five passes and had two interceptions ... forced three fumbles and recovered two ... first-team All-Ohio pick and named the Cuyahoga County Defensive Player of the Year ... selected

to play in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl and also chosen for the Ohio North-South game.

Personal: Son of Robert and Shirley Rose.

Rob Rose Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2006	10	5	2	7	3.5	23	3.5	23	0	0	0
2007	11	2	2	4	1.5	5	1.0	5	1	0	0
Totals	21	7	4	11	5.0	28	4.5	28	1	0	0

Favorite Actress: Lauren London

Favorite cartoon character: Papa Smurf

Person who would play me in a movie: De Bo

Favorite food: Chicken (baked, grilled and fried)

Dream vacation: South America

Who has my gold pants: My mother

Favorite former Buckeye: Ted Ginn Jr.

Favorite NFL Player: Vernon Gholston

gifted with great
size, speed and
strength



anderson russell

>> DEFENSIVE BACK

6-0, 205, Sr./Jr.
Marist High School
Atlanta, Ga.
Communication

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Buckeye Bits: Talented defender with plenty of experience ... can play either safety position and could also be the nickel back ... coaches like his 110 percent energy level ... an intelligent player who learns quickly ... timed at :04.4 in the 40-yard dash.

2007 (Sophomore): Came back from knee surgery with an outstanding campaign ... first team all-Big Ten (Rivals) ... fourth on team with 63 tackles for season ... seven TFL, three sacks, five PBU for 2007 ... seven tackles in the win over Youngstown State ... eight tackles at Washington ... sack and a forced fumble in Northwestern win ... pair of sacks (-18) in the Purdue victory ... six tackles in win at Penn State ... eight tackles vs. Wisconsin ... Jim Marshall "Warrior" award ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Moved up the depth chart throughout preseason, then a six-tackle effort against Northern Illinois in the season-opener vaulted him into the starting role at free safety in week two at Texas ... had three tackles against the Longhorns and six more the following week vs. Cincinnati as he secured his starting job ... injured his knee

in week five at Iowa and missed the rest of the season ... finished with 16 tackles in his five games, eight of which were solos ... notched his first collegiate interception in the win over the Bearcats ... had a tackle behind the line of scrimmage against NIU.

2005 (Redshirt): Played with the scout team and did not see any game action ... impressed the coaching staff with his work ethic and understanding of what was expected of him ... came close to being thrown into the fray a couple of times, but was ultimately redshirted.

High School: Named as one of the Top 50 players in the state of Georgia by the Atlanta Journal Constitution ... rushed for 758 yards, averaged 8.4 yards per carry and scored 14 touchdowns as a senior in a wishbone attack ... was Marist's leading receiver with seven catches for 171 yards and three touchdowns ... averaged 19.1 yards on kickoff returns.

Personal: Son of Kevin and Karen Russell ... his dad played football with the Philadelphia Eagles in the NFL and his brother, Brandon, played at North Carolina.

Anderson Russell Career Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Ind	Yds
2006	5	8	8	16	1.0	1	.0	0	1	1	0
2007	13	38	25	63	7.0	29	3.0	23	5	0	0
Total	18	46	33	79	8.0	30	3.0	23	6	1	0



Favorite Actress: Halle Berry

Before a game I like to ... listen to music

Person who would play me in a movie: Mike Epps

Car I'd most like to drive: BMW

Dream vacation: Bahamas

Favorite old-school TV show: Andy Griffin Show

Favorite subject: English

Favorite former Buckeye: Archie Griffin

talented,
intelligent
defender with
**plenty of
experience**

brandon saine

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>> RUNNING BACK

6-1. 217, So./So.
Piqua High School
Piqua, Ohio
Business Administration

Buckeye Bits: Talented tailback who made a terrific first impression as a true freshman ... blessed with a combination of breakaway speed and power ... also a capable receiver.

2007 (Freshman): True freshman who rushed for 267 yards and two

scores in 2007 ... gained 28 yards rushing and caught a touchdown pass in Akron win ... 37-yard TD at Washington ... leading rusher (69 yards) and receiver (76) against Kent State ... team's outstanding first-year player on offense ... special teams dog tags: Akron ... first-year letterman.

High School: Ohio's 2006 Mr. Football after rushing for 1,895 yards and 27 touchdowns on 259 carries and totaling 412 yards on 30 pass receptions as a senior ... Parade All-American ... runs a 4.35 40-yard dash ... rated as the No. 2 overall prospect in Ohio ... garnered all-state, all-conference and conference player of the year honors as a junior and a senior ... rushed for 240 yards on 30 carries and scored three touchdowns to lead Piqua to the 2006 Division II state championship ... 100- and 400-meter Div. I state track champion ... Offense-Defense All-American Bowl, helping lead the East squad to a 24-18 victory ... owned a 3.3 GPA.

Personal: Son of Wendi Croft ... has two siblings.



BRANDON SAINÉ 2007 GAME BY GAME

OPPONENT	RUSHING				RECEIVING			
	NO.	YDS	TD	LG	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
YOUNGSTOWN STATE	10	42	1	18	0	0	0	0
AKRON	9	28	0	9	3	8	1	6
AT WASHINGTON	9	83	1	37	0	0	0	0
NORTHWESTERN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AT MINNESOTA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AT PURDUE	6	20	0	11	0	0	0	0
KENT	9	69	0	29	5	76	0	35
MICHIGAN STATE	3	3	0	5	0	0	0	0
AT PENN STATE	3	4	0	3	0	0	0	0
WISCONSIN	2	-2	0	0	1	7	0	7
ILLINOIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AT MICHIGAN	9	20	0	6	0	0	0	0
VS LSU	0	0	0	0	3	69	0	44
TOTALS	60	267	2	37	9	91	1	44

Brandon Saine Career Rushing Stats

Year	G	Att	Yds	Td	Lg
2007	11	60	267	2	37
Total	11	60	267	2	37

Brandon Saine Career Receiving Stats

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2007	11	12	160	1	44
Total	11	12	160	1	44

Pets: A husky named Shai

Before a game I like to ... listen to R&B

Favorite cartoon character: Hey Arnold

Favorite food: Steak

Favorite American from history: MLK Jr.

Favorite old-school TV show: Brady Bunch

Favorite subject: Math

Favorite NFL Player: Ladainian Tomlinson

combination
of breakaway
**speed and
power**



dane sanzenbacher

>> WIDE RECEIVER

5-11, 175, So./So.
Central Catholic High School
Toledo, Ohio
Business Administration

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Buckeye Bits: Speedy receiver who made an impact as a true freshman ... will be even more effective after gaining a season's worth of experience ... talented athlete with great instincts for the game.

2007 (Freshman): True freshman receiver ... 12 catches for 89 yards ... caught a touchdown on his very first college reception, three yards from Todd Boeckman in the Youngstown State win ... first-year letterman.

High School: Ranked as the No. 13 overall prospect in Ohio coming out of high school ... finished his senior season with 61 receptions for 1,079 yards and 11 touchdowns ... in seven career playoff games, recorded 40 receptions for 842 yards and nine touchdowns in addition to 40 solo tackles and eight interceptions ... helped guide Toledo Central Catholic to the 2005 State Championship with two touchdown receptions ... grabbed 65 receptions for 16 touchdowns as a junior and was named first-team all-state ... picked off 11 interceptions as a junior ... owned a 3.3 GPA ... also spent time at quarterback and defensive back ... all-state in the 400-meter dash.

Personal: Son of Lee and Marianne Sanzenbacher ... lists winning the 2005 state championship as his greatest sports thrill.

DANE SANZENBACHER 2007 GAME BY GAME RECEIVING

OPPONENT	NO.	YDS	TD	LG
YOUNGSTOWN STATE	2	8	1	5
AKRON	1	9	0	9
AT WASHINGTON	2	10	0	7
NORTHWESTERN	1	10	0	10
AT MINNESOTA	0	0	0	0
AT PURDUE	0	0	0	0
KENT	2	20	0	15
MICHIGAN STATE	2	18	0	9
PENN STATE	0	0	0	0
WISCONSIN	0	0	0	0
ILLINOIS	1	7	0	7
AT MICHIGAN	1	7	0	7
VS LSU	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	12	89	1	15

Dane Sanzenbacher Career Receiving Stats

Receiving	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2007	12	12	89	1	15
Total	12	12	89	1	15



Pets: Cat named Summitt

Favorite Actor: Morgan Freeman

Favorite food: Mini Cheeseburgers

Favorite American from history: John Adams

Favorite music artist: Kenny Chesney

If I have a spare hour I... play golf

Favorite subject: Biology

Favorite former Buckeye: Eddie George

talented athlete
with **great**
instincts for
the game



grant schwartz

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>> WIDE RECEIVER

6-0, 194, Jr./So.
Dana Hills High School
Dana Hills, Calif.
Exploring



Buckeye Bits: Reserve receiver whose early contributions have come through special teams play for the Buckeyes

2007 (Freshman): Switched from defense to wide receiver ... solid on special teams ... played on three of the special units ... first-year letterman

2006 (Redshirt): Played on the scout team and did not see any game action

High School: An all-purpose standout in high school ... also lined up at running back or quarterback on offense ... had 15 tackles and an interception and returned a kickoff for a touchdown as a senior ... rushed for 655 yards and seven touchdowns on 70 carries and completed 99-of-145 passes for 1,219 yards with 10 touchdowns ... set 15 school records ... passed for 1,917 yards and 11 TDs as a junior and added 486 yards rushing and nine TDs on 99 carries.

Personal: Son of Brian Schwartz and Barbara Walters... father played for Ohio State from 1976-79.

Pets: Swiss Mountain dog

Best moment of 2007 season: Beating Michigan at Michigan

Favorite cartoon character: Ironman

Person who would play me in a movie: Luke Wilson

Favorite food: Mexican

Car I'd most like to drive: Aston Martin DB9

Favorite American from history: Walt Disney

Favorite former Buckeye: my dad

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contributions
have come
through **special
teams play**



james scott

>> DEFENSIVE BACK

5-10, 170, So./So.
Seabreeze Senior High School
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Exploring

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Buckeye Bits: Promising cornerback who gained valuable experience as a true freshman ... hard hitter and sure tackler ... will work this season behind Donald Washington and Chimdi Chekwa.

2007 (Freshman): Contributor on four special teams units for the Big Ten champions ... six tackles for season ... fumble recovery at Washington ... special teams dog tags: Washington ... first-year letterman.

High School: Two-time second-team All-Florida ... ranked as the No. 10 cornerback in the nation and the No. 11 overall recruit in Florida coming out of high school ... finished senior season with 59 tackles, two interceptions, four tackles-for-loss, one forced fumble and two fumble recoveries ... recorded 62 tackles along with four interceptions and four special teams touchdowns as a junior.

Personal: Son of Kenneth Scott and Sharon Williams ... has three siblings: Shondra, Kenny and Jon.



Before a game I like to: Listen to music

Favorite cartoon character: Tom and Jerry – I love cartoons!

Favorite food: Any seafood

Dream vacation: Barbados

Favorite American from history: Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune

Favorite music artist: Rick Ross

Favorite subject: Math

Favorite former Buckeye: Antoine Winfield

hard hitter and
sure tackler

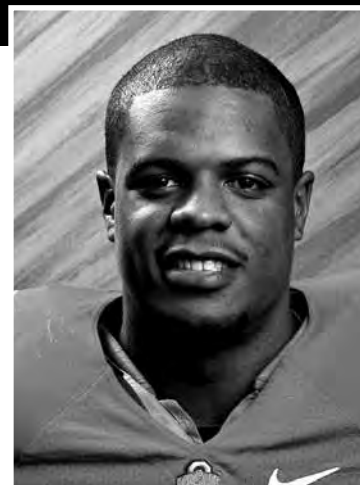
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» TIGHT END / FULLBACK

6-2, 251, 5th/Sr.
Euclid High School
Euclid, Ohio

Family Resource Management



Buckeye Bits: Team-oriented veteran in his fifth year at Ohio State ... could contribute at tight end or as an emergency fullback ... came to Ohio State as a linebacker ... began 2005 with the defense, but was switched to tight end after injuries claimed Rory Nicol and Ryan Hamby ... primarily used as a blocker, but has good hands ... is a physical player with a great attitude ... also plays on the special teams ... on track to graduate in December.

2007 (Junior): An outstanding contributor on special teams ... played on three of the special units ... special teams dog tags: Illinois ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Saw action in 11 games, mainly as a member of the special teams.

2005 (Freshman): Began the year at linebacker, but was moved to tight end when injuries decimated the position ... played in 11 games and earned his first letter ... had three receptions against San Diego State in week three of the season ... also had receptions against Illinois and Northwestern ... his 16-yard grab vs. Northwestern was his longest catch of the year.

2004 (Redshirt): Did not play in any games.

High School: Saved his best for last, recording a career-high 125 tackles as a senior linebacker, including four sacks ... also had three interceptions ... also started for Euclid as a junior and was credited with 70 tackles.

Personal: Son of Wilbert and Elzoria Smith.

Favorite Actress: Taraji P Henson

I chose to be a Buckeye because... it was biggest opportunity of my life

Person who would play me in a movie: Eddie Murphy

Favorite place on campus: RPAC

Favorite music artist: Lil Wayne

Favorite subject: Marketing

Who has my gold pants: My mom

physical player
with a **great**
attitude



connor smith

>> OFFENSIVE LINE

6-4, 310, Jr./So.
Colerain High School
Cincinnati, Ohio
Exploring

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Buckeye Bits: Enters the 2008 season listed as the backup to Ben Person at right guard ... quality offensive lineman with his best football ahead of him.

2007 (Freshman): Got his first taste of collegiate action at right guard ... also played on special teams ... first-year letterman.

2006 (Redshirt): Spent the season learning the system and contributing as a member of the scout team ... impressed coaches with his athletic ability.

High School: The 2005 Gatorade Ohio Player of the Year ... Ohio North-South All-Star selection ... helped lead Colerain to a 15-0 record and the 2004 Ohio Div. I state championship ... Greater Miami Conference 2005 Offensive Player of the Year ... selected for the U.S. Army All-America Bowl ... 130 knockdowns as a senior and graded 92 percent ... first team All-Ohio 2004 and 2005 ... 2006 Parade All-America.

Personal: Son of Joe and Marcy Smith ... father was a four-year letterman on the offensive line for the Buckeyes from 1979-82 and was his position coach in high school ... younger brother Spencer is a full-back for the Buckeyes.



Favorite Actor: Chuck Norris

Before a game I like to ... pray

Person who would play me in a movie: Rambo

Car I'd most like to drive: Coach Tressel's

Favorite American from history: Ronald Reagan

Favorite music artist: Tim McGraw

Favorite subject: English

Favorite former Buckeye: my dad

quality
offensive
lineman

austin spitler

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>> LINEBACKER

6-3, 234, Sr./Jr.
Bellbrook High School
Bellbrook, Ohio
Communication



Buckeye Bits: Heads into 2008 as the backup at middle linebacker to James Laurinaitis ... has the speed to play at any of the three linebacker spots if needed ... strong, runs well and is a tough, physical player ... has demonstrated a penchant for making plays.

2007 (Sophomore): Versatile linebacker who started on four special teams units ... 26 tackles for the season ... seven tackles and a sack (-12) in the win over Youngstown State ... five tackles against Kent State ... special units player of week: Wisconsin ... Jack Tatum hit of week: Kent State ... special teams dog tags: Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan ... Big Ten all-academic ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Played in all 13 games ... saw the majority of his time on the special teams ... collected seven tackles, including career-high three in the win at Michigan State ... had two tackles against Cincinnati and one each against Indiana and Northwestern.

2005 (Redshirt): Played with the scout team and impressed the coaches with his overall ability.

High School: Won first-team all-state honors as a senior, when he

was in on 132 tackles, including 11 tackles-for-loss and seven sacks ... also had a pair of interceptions as a senior ... was first-team all-conference as a junior and senior and was named conference linebacker of the year both years ... recorded 120 tackles as a junior ... played three years of basketball and started as a junior, then concentrated on football ... an honor student.

Personal: Son of Greg and Dawn Spitler ... has a younger sister, Blair ... father is an Ohio State graduate and his mother graduated from Marshall ... enjoys water skiing and spending time around the water.

Austin Spitler Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2006	12	3	4	7	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2007	13	13	13	26	2.5	14	1.0	12	0	0	0
Totals	25	16	17	33	2.5	14	1.0	12	0	0	0

Name of your first youth league team: Golden Eagles

Favorite cartoon character: Popeye

Favorite food: Steak

Car I'd most like to drive: International mini semi truck

Dream vacation: Norris Lake in Tennessee

Favorite American from history: General MacArthur

Favorite music artist: Toby Keith

If I have a spare hour I ... go to the driving range and hit golf

strong, runs well
and is a **tough,**
physical
player



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>> LINEBACKER

6-2, 229, 5th/Sr.
Glenville High School
Cleveland, Ohio
African-American and African Studies

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Buckeye Bits: Heads into the season listed as the strong side linebacker replacing Larry Grant ... returning off a medical redshirt ... played in all 37 games from 2004-06 ... very athletic and plays well in space ... has all the tools to be an effective blitzer.

2007 (Sophomore): Did not see action all season ... bothered by recurring foot and ankle sprains.

2006 (Junior): Played in all 13 games and made three starts ... started vs. Iowa and Minnesota at weakside linebacker and vs. Michigan on the strong side ... collected 17 tackles, including 3.5 behind the line of scrimmage ... broke up two passes ... forced a fumble against Penn State and recovered one at Illinois ... had season-high three tackles in the home wins over Cincinnati and Penn State ... his tackles behind the line of scrimmage came at Texas, at Michigan State and vs. Minnesota.

2005 (Sophomore): Played in all 12 games, with almost all of his time coming with the special teams ... had two tackles – one against Texas on kickoff coverage and the other against Northwestern.

2004 (Freshman): Carved a niche for himself with the special teams and played in all 12 games ... was a member of the punt coverage, punt return, kickoff and kick return units ... earned his first varsity letter.

High School: Lettered in football, basketball and track ... won all-state honors as a senior in football when he had 25 tackles-for-loss, including 12 sacks ... at one time or another played quarterback, running back, defensive end, safety and linebacker during his three years of football ... also a two-year starter on the basketball team ... competed in the 200-meters and the 4x100 and the 4x400 relays in track as a junior and qualified for the state in the 200 ... did not run track as a senior.

Personal: Son of Tommy Miller and Angela Terry ... has five siblings ... enjoys video games as a way of relaxing ... would like to start a community center after his playing days are over and help underprivileged children.

Curtis Terry Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	Tfl	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2004	12	1	0	1	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2005	12	1	1	2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2006	13	8	9	17	3.5	7	0.0	0	2	0	0
2007	DNP										
Totals	37	10	10	20	3.5	7	0.0	0	2	0	0



Before a game I like to ... call my son

Person who would play me in a movie: Riley from the Boondocks

Favorite food: Four-cheese lasagna

Car I'd most like to drive: 84 Monte Carlo SS

Dream vacation: Jamaica

Favorite American from history: Malcolm X

Favorite music artist: Gucci Man

Favorite subject: African-American Studies

has all of the
tools to be
an **effective
blitzer**



solomon thomas

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>> DEFENSIVE LINE

6-5, 240, So./Fr.
Lakota West High School
West Chester, Ohio
Exploring



Buckeye Bits: Talented athlete who will get a chance to contribute along the Buckeye defensive front this season ... has added strength and bulk to his speed and agility.

2007 (Redshirt): Did not see varsity action for the Big ten champions ... scout team workhorse: Penn State.

High School: Rated as the No. 9 recruit overall in Ohio ... had 58 tackles, including 30 solos, as a senior ... 13 of his tackles were behind the line of scrimmage to go along with seven sacks, nine pass break-ups and one forced fumble ... the first Lakota West player to be elected captain as a junior and senior ... all-Southwest Ohio as a senior ... first-team all-conference and second-team all-district as a junior.

Personal: Son of Lewis Thomas ... siblings include Lewis and Jasmine ... enjoys reading and lifting weights.



Pets: dog Bell

Best moment of 2007 season: First Ironman lift

I chose to be a Buckeye because... of the brotherhood

Person who would play me in a movie: Dave Chappelle

Car I'd most like to drive: '69 Chevy Chevelle

Favorite music artist: Cash Money Millionaires

Favorite old-school TV show: Rap City

Favorite former Buckeye: A.J. Hawk

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and **bulk** to his
speed and agility

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>> WIDE RECEIVER

6-1, 193, SO./So.
Canton South High School
Canton, Ohio
Exploring

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Buckeye Bits: Talented all-around athlete who is making great strides in the Ohio State offense ... saw action last year as a true freshman ... is much more comfortable in the overall picture ... ready to increase his contribution.

2007 (Freshman): Joined the Ohio State lineup as a true freshman for the Big Ten champions ... saw limited action at receiver and also on special teams.

High School: Rated as the No. 12 defensive back prospect in the nation and the No. 4 overall recruit in Ohio ... runs a 4.4 40-yard dash ... scored 48 touchdowns and amassed more than 3,000 all-purpose yards during his prep career ... recorded 99 tackles on defense and rushed for 639 yards and 14 touchdowns on offense as a junior ... first-team all-conference as a sophomore, junior and senior ... received All-Ohio honors as a junior ... spent time at running back, wide receiver and safety in high school ... has a 36-inch vertical jump ... committed to Ohio State in Sept. 2006.

Personal: Son of Joe Waters and Wanda Perrin ... has four siblings ... spends his summers in minor league baseball with the Houston Astros organization.



Favorite Actress: Jessica Alba

Before a game I like to ... pray and listen to music

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... I knew I would be a success in life through football or my degree

Favorite food: Seafood

Favorite place on campus: The Woody

If I have a spare hour I ... would call my mother

Favorite subject: English

ready to
increase his
contribution

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>> PUNTER

6-1, 229, 5th/Sr.
Pickerington High School
Pickerington, Ohio
Graduate



Buckeye Bits: Will be in his fourth season as Ohio State's starting punter in 2008 ... has improved to one of the best in the Big Ten ... has a strong leg and gets the ball off quickly ... graduated in June.

2007 (Junior): averaged 41.5 yards on 53 kicks ... 21 downed inside the 20 ... Ray Guy Award semifinalist ... also handled some of the kickoff duties midseason ... special units player of week: Akron, Washington, Minnesota ... Big Ten player of week: Michigan State ... scout team dog tags: Akron, Washington, Minnesota, Purdue, Michigan State.

2006 (Sophomore): For the second consecutive season ranked sixth individually in the Big Ten in punting average (41.0) and helped the Buckeyes' punt coverage unit rank third with a 38.9 net punt average ... only 15 of his 49 punts were returned (2.1 yard average return) ... punted six times in the win at Texas for a 50.8-yard average, which ranks as the third-best single-game performance in OSU history ... four of his six punts at Texas were 50+ yards and he was named the team and Big Ten special teams player of the week for his efforts ... that average at Texas included a 39-yard punt at the end of the game that rolled out-of-bounds on the Texas 6-yard line ... the Longhorns' average field position after a Trapasso punt was their own 21-yard line ... season-long was a 60-yarder at Illinois ... punted seven times at Illinois for a 40.7-yard average ... other longs included a 59-yarder at Texas, a 53-yarder vs. Penn State and a 52-yarder at Iowa ... totaled nine punts of 50+ yards during the regular season.

2005 (Freshman): Averaged a very respectable 40.4 yards per punt

in his first season as the Buckeyes' punter ... finished sixth in the Big Ten in overall punting and third in net punting ... dropped 19 of his 43 punts inside the 20-yard line and had just three touchbacks ... unloaded a 76-yard punt against Michigan State – the fifth longest punt in Ohio State history ... also had a 60-yard kick against Penn State and three others of at least 50 yards ... in 12 games, Ohio State's opponents averaged a meager 5.2 yards per punt return.

2004 (Redshirt): Graduated early from high school and took part in spring drills ... did not play in any games and was redshirted.

High School: Two-time all-state selection, winning first-team honors as a place-kicker as a junior and as a punter as a senior ... also played running back and rushed for 3,754 yards and 50 touchdowns in that role ... averaged 8.6 yards per carry and was the team's MVP as a junior ... was the offensive MVP the following year ... also played baseball in high school.

Personal: Son of Sam and Cyndie Trapasso ... his father is a firefighter ... has a younger sister, Jillian.

A.J. Trapasso Career Punting Stats

Punting	G	No.	Yards	Lg	Avg
2005	12	43	1738	76	40.4
2006	13	49	1990	60	40.6
2007	13	53	2199	63	41.5
Total	38	145	5927	76	40.9

Best moment of 2007 season: Carmen Ohio on

Michigan Field

Favorite cartoon character: Stewie Griffin

Dream vacation: Catanzaro, Italy

Favorite American from history: Babe Ruth

Favorite music artist: MGMT

Favorite old-school TV show: Price is Right (with Bob Barker)

Favorite subject: Communications

strong leg and
gets the ball off
quickly



donald washington

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>> DEFENSIVE BACK

6-0, 194, Sr/Jr.
Franklin Central High School
Indianapolis, Ind.
Communication



Buckeye Bits: A returning starter at cornerback opposite Malcolm Jenkins ... impressive with his athleticism and quick grasp of the game ... can play either field or cover corner ... tons of big-play potential.

2007 (Sophomore): Starting cornerback with 39 tackles for the season ... 70-yard interception return for a touchdown against Kent State ... fumble recovery at Penn State ... five solo stops at Michigan ... defensive player of week: Washington, Kent State ... special teams dog tags: Wisconsin ... SAE award for outstanding player in Homecoming game ... second-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Named the team's most outstanding first-year defensive player ... started nine games when Ohio State opened in its nickel package ... played in all 13 games and collected 41 tackles, which ranked eighth on the team and fourth among defensive backs ... 28 of his tackles were solo, which ranked sixth of the team ... turned in one of the season's big plays when he scooped up a Texas fumble near the OSU goal line and returned it 48 yards to midfield (Buckeyes scored five plays later to go up 7-0) ... had a career-seven tackles in the

national championship game, including six solos ... notched two solo stops in the win over Michigan ... was in on tackles behind the line of scrimmage at Texas and vs. Indiana ... forced fumbles vs. Bowling Green and Indiana.

2005 (Redshirt): Played on the scout team ... did not see any game action.

High School: One of the top defensive backs in Indiana ... also played wide receiver, but was recruited for his defensive ability ... was a "big-play" player on offense, averaging 17 yards a catch and scoring 10 touchdowns on 47 receptions ... got the attention of the college recruiters by running a 4.5 40 and recording a vertical leap of 38 inches ... captured the state long jump championship as a junior and senior ... also an honor student.

Personal: Son of Donald and Cherry Washington.

Donald Washington Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2006	13	28	13	41	1.0	3	0.0	0	1	0	0
2007	13	29	10	39	2.0	4	1.0	3	3	1	70
Totals	26	57	23	80	3.0	7	1.0	3	4	1	70



Pets: A Miniature Doberman

Name of your first youth league team: Flashes

I chose to be a Buckeye because ... The chance to be the best

Favorite food: Lasagna

Favorite place on campus: Mirror Lake Cafe

If I have a spare hour I ... Play NBA live on XBOX

Favorite old-school TV show: Martin Lawrence

Favorite subject- Math

**impressive
athleticism
and quick grasp
of the game**

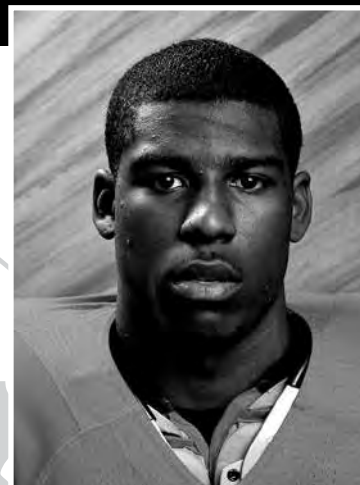


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>> WIDE RECEIVER

6-2, 179, So./So.
St. Mary's Preparatory School
Orchard Lake, Mich.
Communication



Buckeye Bits: Young receiver who is making great strides in the Ohio State offense ... saw limited action last year as a true freshman ... is much more comfortable in the overall picture ... should have a productive spring.

2007 (Freshman): Joined the Ohio State lineup as a true freshman ... saw some action at receiver and also on special teams for the Big Ten champions.

High School: Rated as the No. 8 overall recruit in Michigan and the twenty-third best receiver nationally ... runs a 4.5 40-yard dash ... 3.0 GPA ... totaled 30 receptions for 500 yards and eight touchdowns as a senior when he missed time because of injury ... caught 40 passes for 893 yards and 13 touchdowns as a junior ... was the defensive player of the year on his basketball team ... won the state championship in track with the 4x100 and 4x200 meter relay teams.

Personal: Son of Elaine Washington and Al Williams ... has three siblings: Tevin, Taylor and Trevon.

Person who would play me in a movie: Cedric the Entertainer

Favorite place on campus: The dorm

Car I'd most like to drive: Bentley

Dream vacation: Africa

Favorite music artist: Usher

Favorite old-school TV show: Good Times

Favorite subject: English

Favorite former Buckeye: Cris Carter

young receiver
making **great**
strides



chris wells

>> RUNNING BACK

6-1, 237, Jr./Jr.
Garfield High School
Akron, Ohio
Exploring

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Buckeye Bits: The most powerful ballcarrier in college football ... "Beanie" nickname was given to him by his family.

2007 (Sophomore): Voted team Most Valuable Player ... second team All-America (Rivals) ... first team all-Big Ten ... 1,609 yards for season with 15 touchdowns ... fourth among all-time OSU single season rushers and first among sophomore rushers ... 143 yards in Akron win ... 135 yards, TD at Washington ... 100 yards, TD vs. Northwestern ... pair of first-quarter scores at Minnesota rushing for 116 yards ... gained 221 yards with a TD over Michigan State ... 133 yards at Penn State ... rushed for 169 against Wisconsin, scoring three second-half touchdowns ... two TD vs. Illinois ... career-best 222 yards with TD of 62 and 1 in win at Michigan ... 146 yards with a 65-yard TD in the BCS championship game ... offensive player of week: Washington, Michigan State, Wisconsin, Michigan ... Big Ten player of week: Michigan State, Michigan ... Archie Griffin award for offensive MVP ... W.W. Hayes award for outstanding player in Michigan game ... Big Ten all-academic.

2006 (Freshman): Played in all 13 games as a true freshman and finished second on the team with 576 yards on 104 carries ... team's outstanding first-year player on offense ... averaged 5.6 yards per rush ... scored seven touchdowns ... made debut in the opener vs. Northern Illinois and carried the ball 10 times for 50 yards and a touchdown, an 8-yard run ... carried five times each of the next three games – against Texas, Cincinnati and Penn State – before turning in 78 yards on 14 carries at Iowa ... scored a touchdown in the final six games of the year, beginning with a 5-yard TD run at Michigan State ... ran for 65 yards and a score vs. Indiana and turned in 90 yards on 15 carries at homecoming against Minnesota ... season-high 99 yards came on 11 carries at Northwestern ... against Michigan, scored on a 52-yard run to give Ohio State a 14-7 lead early in the second quarter ... finished the game with five carries for 56 yards ... enrolled at Ohio State for spring quarter, 2006, and took part in spring practice.

High School: 2006 Parade All-American and named the nation's top running back ... rushed for 2,134 yards and 27 touchdowns on 223 carries as a senior (9.6 avg.) ... rushed for 1,939 yards and scored 20 touchdowns as a junior ... 2005 National Player of the Year and the No. 1 prospect in the nation by several publications ... scored three TDs on his way to being selected Most Valuable Player of the U.S. Army All-America Bowl.

Personal: Son of James and Paulette Wells ... one of 11 children.

Chris Wells Career Rushing Stats

Year	G	Att	Yds	Td	Lg
2006	13	104	576	7	52
2007	13	274	1609	15	65
Total	26	378	2185	22	65

Chris Wells Career Receiving Stats

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2006	13	2	16	0	10
2007	13	5	21	0	8
Total	26	7	37	0	10



Favorite Actor: Jamie Foxx

Name of your first youth league team: East Dragons

Best moment of 2007 season: Beating Michigan

Favorite American from history: Ray Charles

Favorite music artist: Jay Z

Favorite old-school TV show: Sanford and Son

Favorite former Buckeye: Antonio Pittman

Favorite NFL Player: Adrian Peterson

the **most**
powerful
ballcarrier in
college football



maurice wells

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>> TAILBACK

5-10, 196, Sr./Sr.
Sandalwood High School
Jacksonville, Fla.
Communication

Buckeye Bits: Veteran who has been an unsung contributor in the Buckeye offense ... a change of pace at tailback to Chris Wells ... has breakaway speed and can turn the corner in the blink of an eye ... gets a great burst up the middle ... has good hands.

2007 (Junior): Gained 367 yards with three rushing touchdowns for the season ... 44 yards with two scores in win over Northwestern ... 52 yards rushing at Minnesota ... 74 yards gained at Purdue ... TD catch against Kent State ... rushed for 55 yards on 17 carries in win at Penn State ... 19-yard TD against Illinois ... third-year letterman.

2006 (Sophomore): Played in all 13 games and was the Buckeyes' fourth leading rusher ... carried the ball 46 times for 171 yards and one touchdown ... top game was against Indiana when he carried the ball nine times for 62 yards, including a career-long run of 32 yards ... scored lone touchdown against Cincinnati on a 9-yard run in the fourth quarter.

2005 (Freshman): Played in nine of the Buckeyes' 12 games ...

was the Buckeyes' third leading rusher last year with 199 yards on 61 carries, an average of 3.3 yards per attempt ... had seven carries for 10 yards in the season opener against Miami (Ohio) ... had 13 carries for 70 yards against Northwestern and 50 yards on five carries against Indiana ... longest run of the year was 25 yards.

High School: Considered one of the top running backs in the country ... rushed for career totals of 5,955 yards and 55 touchdowns ... led the state of Florida in rushing as a junior with 3,076 yards and scored 31 touchdowns ... in nine games as a senior, rushed for 1,908 yards and 18 touchdowns ... set the Florida single-game rushing record with 429 yards in two and a half quarters in a blowout of Stanton Prep as a junior ... clocked at 4.44-seconds in the 40-yard dash ... played in the U.S. Army All-American Bowl.

Personal: Son of Kingsley and Pamela Simons ... has an older brother, Martin Wells, and a younger brother, Kingsley Simons.



Maurice Wells Career Rushing Stats

Year	G	Att	Yds	Td	Lg
2005	9	61	199	1	25
2006	13	46	171	1	32
2007	13	103	367	3	26
Total	34	210	737	5	32

Maurice Wells Career Receiving Stats

Year	G	Rec	Yds	Td	Lg
2005	9	1	1	0	1
2006	13	3	55	0	10
2007	13	10	47	1	20
Total	35	14	103	1	30

Favorite Actress: Angelina Jolie

I chose to be a Buckeye because...it was destined to happen

Person who would play me in a movie: Myself; I'm a good actor

Favorite food: Homemade Mac and Cheese

Car I'd most like to drive: Dodge Charger

Favorite music artist: Lil Wayne

Favorite subject: Math

great bursts up
the middle with
**breakaway
speed**

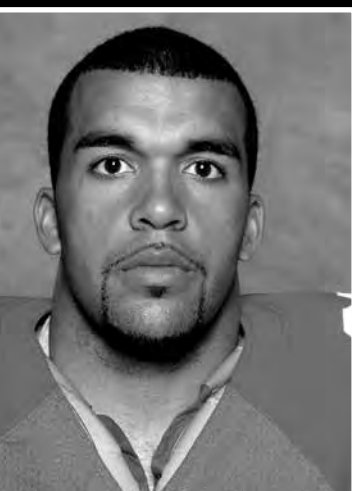


marcus williams

>> TAILBACK

5-10, 202, Sr./Jr.
Ironton, Ohio
Ironton
Health Sciences

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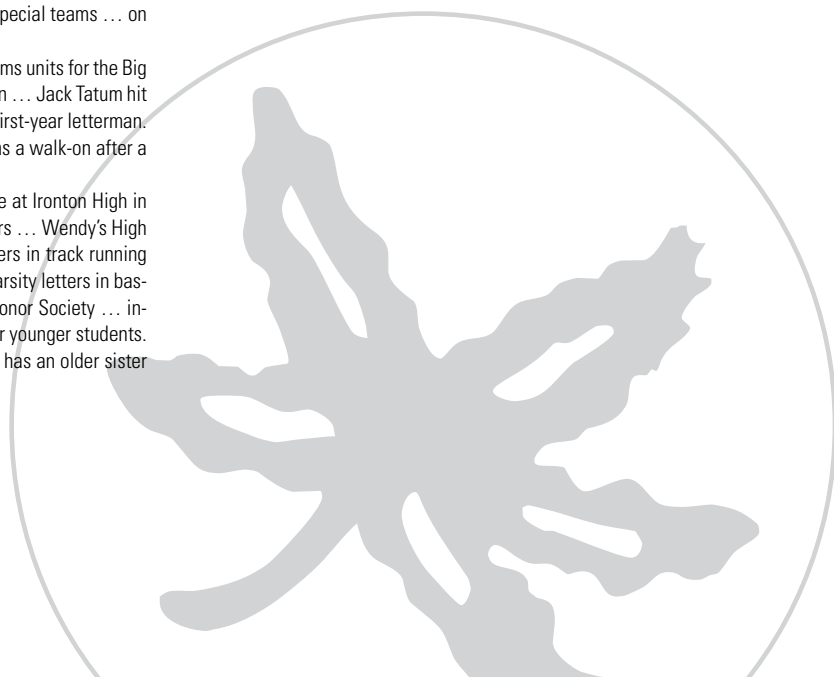
Buckeye Bits: Veteran who has made an increased impact at running back and as a crucial member of the Buckeye special teams ... on track to graduate in December.

2007 (Sophomore): Started on three special teams units for the Big Ten champions ... 19 yards rushing in Kent State win ... Jack Tatum hit of the week: Michigan ... Big Ten all-academic ... first-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Joined the Ohio State team as a walk-on after a quarter as a member of the general student body.

High School: First team all-district and all-state at Ironton High in football ... voted team captain for the Fighting Tigers ... Wendy's High School Heisman honoree ... also earned three letters in track running the 400m, 800m and high jumping ... earned two varsity letters in basketball and one in tennis ... member of National Honor Society ... involved on Ironton's Character Development Team for younger students.

Personal: Son of Robert and Mary Williams ... has an older sister Christine ... married to the former Ashley Wilson.



Best moment of 2007 season: opening kickoff against Michigan

I chose to be a Buckeye because...I've always wanted to be a Buckeye

Favorite cartoon character: Underdog

Person who would play me in a movie: Mike Epps

Favorite food: Spaghetti

Favorite American from history: Abraham Lincoln

If I have a spare hour I...read my Bible

**impact
veteran on
special teams**

lawrence wilson

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>> DEFENSIVE END

6-4, 274, Sr./Jr.
St Vincent-St. Mary High School
Akron, Ohio
Communication



Buckeye Bits: Enters the season listed as a starter at defensive end after missing the 2007 campaign ... has committed himself to a break-out season ... big, strong, athletic and smart.

2007 (Redshirt): Suffered broken right leg in opener with Youngstown State and missed remainder of regular season.

2006 (Sophomore): Played in 12 games and collected 17 tackles ... totaled five tackles-for-loss, three of which were quarterback sacks ... collected career-high five tackles in the win at Illinois, including three solos ... contributed on special teams with the punt return unit ... sacks came against Northern Illinois, Minnesota and Michigan ... had three stops against the Wolverines ... named the team's attack force player of the week vs. Illinois ... forced a fumble in the win over Minnesota.

2005 (Freshman): Played in all but one game (Texas) as a rookie ... logged 17 minutes against Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl ... had two tackles — one against Iowa and the other vs. Northwestern.

High School: Ranked as Ohio's top defensive end by several recruiting services ... a three-year starter ... won first-team All-Ohio honors as a senior ... had 15 sacks as a junior and 10 as a senior ... also played tight end and caught seven passes for three touchdowns as a senior ... averaged 15 points per game in basketball as a junior ... an honor student.

Personal: Son of Eugene and Sarah Wilson ... older brother Eugene III is an Ohio State graduate.

Lawrence Wilson Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2005	11	0	2	2	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2006	12	7	10	17	5.0	17	3.0	15	1	0	0
2007	1	1	1	2	1.5	11	1.0	10	0	0	0
Totals	25	7	11	18	6.5	28	4.0	25	1	0	0

Favorite Actor: Jamie Foxx

I chose to be a Buckeye because...the tradition of excellence

Favorite cartoon character: Riley from Boondocks

Favorite American from history: Martin Luther King Jr.

Favorite music artist: Kirk Franklin

If I have a spare hour I...watch TV

Favorite subject: Caribbean literature

Favorite former Buckeye: Antonio Pittman

big, strong,
athletic and
smart



doug worthington

>> DEFENSIVE END

6-7, 276, Sr./Jr.
Saint Francis High School
Athol Springs, N.Y.
Communication

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Buckeye Bits: Enters the spring as a returning starter at defensive tackle ... his versatility gives the Buckeyes depth at all four spots along the defensive line.

2007 (Sophomore): Started 11 games in 2007 ... recorded 24 tackles for the season ... sack and four tackles in the Wisconsin win ... forced a Kent State fumble ... interception against Michigan State ... Attack Force award: Akron ... Jack Tatum hit of week: Akron ... first-year letterman.

2006 (Freshman): Played in seven games ... totaled three tackles, which came among the last five games of the regular-season (Indiana, Minnesota and Northwestern).

2005 (Redshirt): Played on the scout team ... injured his right knee on the final day of bowl practice before the team broke for the holiday season ... had surgery and sat out winter and spring.

High School: A Parade All-American ... rated the No. 2 prospect overall in the state of New York ... totaled 74 tackles, including seven

sacks as a senior ... had 67 tackles and five sacks as a junior ... also a standout basketball player ... timed at 4.75 seconds in the 40-yard dash ... is the first Buckeye from upstate New York since Will Smith (2000-03).

Personal: Son of Doug and Andrea Worthington ... enjoys writing music (lyrics) ... father played football at the University of Colorado.

Doug Worthington Career Tackle Stats

Year	G	Ua	A	Total	TFL	Yds	Sk	Yds	Pd	Int	Yds
2006	7	2	1	3	0.0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2007	13	9	15	24	2.0	8	1.0	8	2	1	0
Totals	20	11	16	27	2.0	8	1.0	8	2	1	0



Pets: A Boxer names Porkchop

Before a game I like to... get focused

Best moment of 2007 season: Interception

Favorite place on campus: Colors Barber Shop

Dream vacation: Africa

Favorite music artist: Jay Z

Favorite old-school TV show: Good Times

Favorite subject: Social Studies

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along the
defensive line

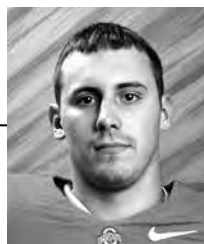
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devin barclay / 12 /

» KICKER

5-11, 195, Jr./So.
McDonogh High School
Annapolis, Md.
Hospitality Mgmt.



k.c. christian / 46 /

» RUNNING BACK

5-11, 209, Jr./So.
Rock Hill High School
Kitts Hill, Ohio
Physical Education



eugene clifford / 32 /

» DEFENSIVE BACK

6-2, 191, So./Fr.
Colerain High School
Cincinnati, Ohio
Management and Industry



ricky crawford / 81 /

» WIDE RECEIVER

6-2, 215, Jr./So.
Olentangy High School
Lewis Center, Ohio
Education



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» RUNNING BACK

6-0, 184, So./Fr.
Hilliard Davidson High School
Hilliard, Ohio
Exploring



d.r. ebner / 65 /

» OFFENSIVE LINE

6-3, 271, 5th/Sr.
Hershey High School
Hershey, Pa.
Exercise Science



joe gantz / 33 /

» RUNNING BACK

6-0, 199, Sr./Jr.
Wooster High School
Wooster, Ohio
Biology



tyson gentry / 24 /

» PUNTER

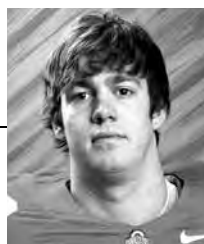
6-2, 165, 5th/Sr.
Perkins High School
Sandusky, Ohio
Speech and Hearing



bryan gray / 69 /

» DEFENSIVE LINE

6-2, 285, 5th/Sr.
Antwerp High School
Antwerp, Ohio
Zoology



patrick howe / 53 /

» LONG SNAPPER

6-2, 204, Jr./So.
St. Xavier High School
Cincinnati, Ohio
Mgmt. & Industry

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garrett hummel / 89 /

>> **WIDE RECEIVER**

5-11, 183, Jr./So.
Shelby High School
Shelby, Ohio
Actuarial Science



tom ingham / 57 /

>> **DEFENSIVE LINE**

6-1, 243, Sr./Jr.
Centerville High School
Centerville, Ohio
Mechanical Engineering



tony jackson / 41 /

>> **LINEBACKER**

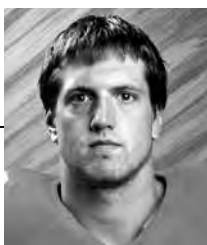
5-11, 227, So./Fr.
Westland High School
Columbus, Ohio
Business Administration



ben kacsandi / 13 /

>> **WIDE RECEIVER**

6-1, 209, 5th./Sr.
Wooster High School
Wooster, Ohio
Biology



j.d. larson / 46 /

>> **TIGHT END**

6-4, 229, Sr./Sr.
Ventura High School
Ventura, Calif.
Family Resource Management



chris malone / 57 /

>> **OFFENSIVE LINE**

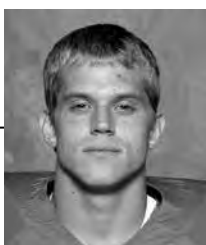
6-1, 268, Jr./So.
Lincoln High School
Gahanna, Ohio
Biology



jake mcquaide / 96 /

>> **LONG SNAPPER**

6-2, 219, Jr./So.
Elder High School
Cincinnati, Ohio
Aerospace Engineering



dan potokar / 83 /

>> **WIDE RECEIVER**

6-0, 180, Sr./Sr.
Grove City High School
Grove City, Ohio
Family Resource Management



chris rietschlin / 95 /

>> **DEFENSIVE LINE**

6-4, 270, Sr./Jr.
Buckeye Central High School
Crestline, Ohio
Logistics Management



kyle ruhl / 15 /

>> **WIDE RECEIVER**

6-1, 164, 5th./Sr.
Dublin Coffman High School
Powell, Ohio
Family Resource Management


ryan schuck / 16 /

>> WIDE RECEIVER

6-0, 204, Sr./Jr.
Selinsgrove Area High School
Selinsgrove, Pa.
Exercise Science


scott sika / 72 /

>> OFFENSIVE LINE

6-2, 280, Jr./So.
Strongsville High School
Strongsville, Ohio
Sport and Leisure Studies


jon skinner / 33 /

>> OFFENSIVE GUARD

6-5, 306 5th/Sr.
Mt. Carmel Area High School
Mount Carmel, Pa.
Graduate


zach slagle / 69 /

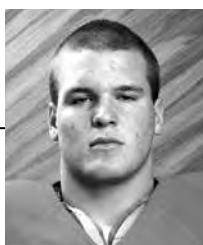
>> OFFENSIVE LINE

6-1, 297, Jr./So.
Canton McKinley High School
Canton, Ohio
Human Development Studies


ray small / 82 /

>> WIDE RECEIVER

6-0, 180, Jr./Jr.
Glenville High School
Cleveland, Ohio
Human Development


spencer smith / 48 /

>> RUNNING BACK

6-2, 225, So./Fr.
Colerain High School
Cincinnati, Ohio
Exploring


jon thoma / 48 /

>> PUNTER

6-1, 201, Sr./Jr.
St. Thomas Aquinas
Alliance, Ohio
Communication

[2008 OHIO STATE] newcomers



mike adams

>> OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

6-8, 310
Dublin, Ohio
Dublin Coffman

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Blue-chip offensive line prospect ... enrolled at OSU in March ... helped Coffman to a 13-1 record and the state semifinals ... all-Ohio as a junior and senior ... all-metro, all-district and all-OCC ... U.S. Army All-American Bowl ... Parade and EA Sports All-America ... Detroit Free Press "Best of the Midwest" No. 1 ... USA Today all-USA ... Top 100 national ranking from ESPN, Scout, Rivals, PrepStar, Superprep ... Buckeye BlueChip ... son of Heidi Taylor.

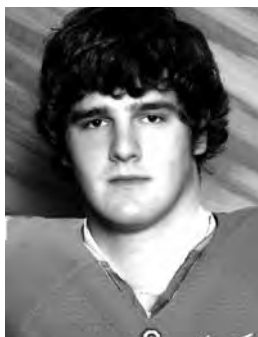


michael **brewster**

>> OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

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6-5, 300
Orlando, Fla.
Edgewater

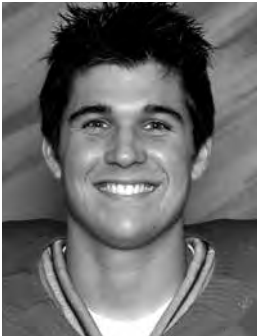


Outstanding offensive lineman from Florida ... enrolled at OSU in January ... U.S. Army All-American Bowl and Maxwell Award ... Parade and EA Sports All-America ... USA Today all-USA ... Orlando Sentinel Top 5 ... Tampa Tribune "Best of the South" ... Atlanta Journal-Constitution "Super Southern 100" ... Top 100 ranking from ESPN, Scout, Rivals, PrepStar, Superprep ... enrolled at Ohio State in January ... son of Bill and Kathy Brewster.

ben buchanan

>> PUNTER / KICKER

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6-0, 200
Westerville, Ohio
Westerville Central

Rated among the nation's top specialists ... team captain who was a three-time first team all-Ohio pick ... OHSAA records for FG (5) and kick scoring (16) in a game, longest FG by a junior (54) and five central Ohio records ... central Ohio punting leader with 41-yd average ... no punts returned for TD in 30 games ... 14-16 on FG as a senior with only misses from 50 yards or beyond ... USA Today all-USA, EA Sports All-America and Maxwell Award ... U.S. Army All-America and Big 33 all-star games ... four years all-district ... Columbus Dispatch all-metro and Buckeye BlueChip ... all-OCC in baseball ... National Honor Society ... active with Fellowship of Christian Athletes, "Stand and Deliver" and mission work through his church ... son of Dr. Tim and Steli Buchanan.

nic dilillo

>> TIGHT END

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6-5, 237
Madison, Ohio
Madison

Two-time all-Ohio tight end for the PAC champions ... 86 catches, 980 yards, 6 TD over past two seasons ... all-Northeast, all-Lake County and all-Premier conference ... News-Herald "Best of Best" ... Big 33 game ... four-year all-conference basketball performer ... on pace to score 1,000 career points ... son of Tony and Christine DiLillo.

zach domicone

>> DEFENSIVE BACK

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6-3, 215
Xenia, Ohio
Beavercreek

Rushed for 1,111 yards and nine scores as a senior ... also passed for 572 yards and five TD ... first team all-area and all-GWOC ... two-time team MVP and received the Paul Martin Award ... second team all-SW district ... finished fourth in the state in the 4x400 and sixth in the state in the 4x200 relays ... also a basketball letterman ... son of Fred and Stacey Domicone.

garrett goebel

>> DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

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6-5, 280
Villa Park, Ill.
Montini

Talented two-sport standout ... Chicago Tribune Prep Athlete of Year ... all-state, all-Suburban Catholic conference and all-Chicagoland ... one of three finalists for Illinois Mr. Football ... led the Broncos to a 9-2 record and the state playoffs ... 63 tackles, 16 TFL, four sacks as the conference lineman of the year ... Top 100 national ranking from Scout, Rivals, PrepStar, Superprep ... 2007 and 2008 heavyweight state wrestling champion ... set Illinois records for career wins (201), pins (131) and season wins (57) ... son of Greg and Judi Goebel.

travis howard

>> DEFENSIVE BACK

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6-1, 180
Miami, Fla.
Dr. Krop

Accomplished defensive back from south Florida ... selected as first team all-Florida and all-Dade ... can play safety and corner ... 88 tackles, six interceptions, with two scores and three fumble recoveries ... 36-inch vertical jump ... also a letterman in basketball and track ... honor roll student ... son of Trenise Dozier and Ellis Howard.

orhian johnson

>> DEFENSIVE BACK

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6-2, 178
Gulfport, Fla.
Boca Ciega

Versatile athlete who passed for 1,100 yards and 15 scores as a senior quarterbacking the Pirates to the district championship ... Class 4A Florida all-state and all-Pinellas ... U.S. Army All-American Bowl ... defensive MVP as a sophomore safety ... also a basketball standout ... honor roll student ... son of Oscar and Gay Johnson.

jermil martin

>> RUNNING BACK

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6-0, 227
Cleveland, Ohio
Glenville

All-conference and all-Ohio at defensive end ... 81 tackles, 10 sacks, 22 TFL, two forced fumbles, one fumble recovery as a senior for the Senate League champions ... 127 career tackles with 27 career sacks ... four-year letterman ... an honor roll student who is a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the Play It Smart program ... son of Cathleen Martin.

willie mobley

>> DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

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6-3, 265
Eden Prairie, Minn.
Eden Prairie

Tremendous defensive prospect from Minnesota ... led the Eagle Empire to Class 5A state titles as a junior and senior ... all-state and finalist for Mr. Football Minnesota ... 66 tackles, 21 TFL, 12 sacks ... all-Lake Conference ... PrepNation Midlands player of year ... EA Sports, PrepStar All-America ... Scout, Rivals, Superprep Top 250 ... member of Homecoming court ... son of Roxanne and Willie Mobley.

devier posey

>> WIDE RECEIVER

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6-3, 205
Cincinnati, Ohio
LaSalle

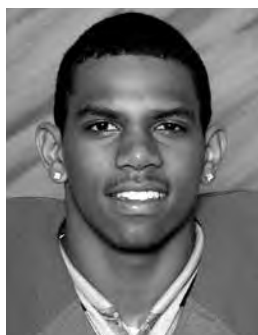
All-Ohio, all-Cincinnati, all-league and all-district receiver ... 47 receptions for 770 yards, 7 TD as a senior; 33 catches for 750 yards, 9 TD as a junior ... U.S. Army All-American Bowl and Maxwell Award ... Greater Catholic League receiver of the year ... Top 100 nationally from Scout, Rivals, PrepStar, Superprep ... holds school record at 200 (21.5) and 400 (47.78) meters ... also a three-year basketball letterman ... 33-inch vertical jump ... honor student and academic all-star ... Lancer Ambassador ... state champion in 400 ... son of Julie and the late Baxter Posey.

terrelle pryor

>> QUARTERBACK

6-6, 235
Jeannette, Pa.
Jeannette

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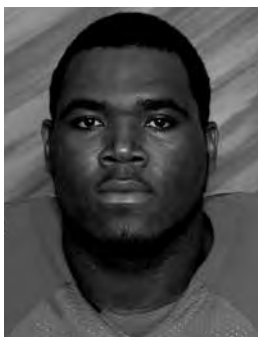
Dual-threat quarterback who quarterbacked the 16-0 Jayhawks to the PIAA and WPIAL championships ... also helped the Jeannette basketball team to WPIAL and PIAA titles, a first in the Keystone State ... USA Today player of year ... 4,238 career rushing yards and 4,340 career passing yards, a first in the state of Pennsylvania ... Parade All-America player of year ... 1,899 rushing and 1,889 passing yards as a senior, accounting for 58 TD ... MVP of U.S. Army All-American Bowl and Maxwell Award ... EA Sports All-America ... Pittsburgh Post-Gazette and Pittsburgh Tribune-Review player of the year as a junior and senior ... three year all-state ... Big 33 ... top-ranked prep prospect by Scout, Rivals, PrepStar, Superprep, PrepNation ... ESPN Top 10 ... 2,000 career point scorer in basketball ... honor roll student ... son of Craig Pryor and Toni Pryor.

shawntel rowell

>> DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

6-4, 304
Cleveland, Ohio
Glenville

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All-state, all-region and all-district defensive tackle ... recorded 27 tackles, four sacks, seven TFL and a forced fumble as a senior for the Senate League champions ... Big 33 game ... also a track letterman ... a member of the Play It Smart program ... son of Raymonda Rowell.

etienne sabino

>> LINEBACKER

6-3, 232
Sunny Isles, Fla.
Dr. Krop

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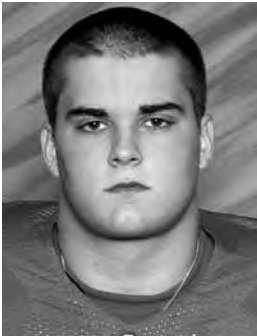


Highly ranked inside linebacker prospect ... enrolled at OSU in March ... first team all-Florida and all-Dade County ... 146 tackles, seven sacks, five forced fumbles, one interception ... U.S. Army All-American Bowl ... Top 100 national ranking from ESPN, Rivals, Scout, PrepStar, Superprep ... Atlanta Journal-Constitution "Super Southern 100" ... EA Sports All-America ... district discus champion ... also a basketball letterman ... honor roll student ... son of Agatha Rijio.

j.b shugarts

>> OFFENSIVE LINE

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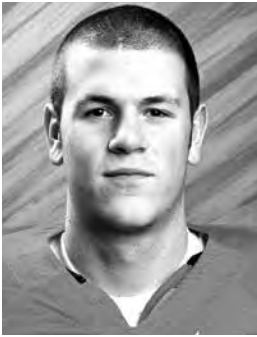
6-8, 298
Klein, Texas
Klein

Talented Texan who is another nationally known offensive lineman ... enrolled at OSU in January ... Parade All-America ... U.S. Army All-American Bowl ... all-greater Houston (two years), all-Texas and district lineman of year ... all-district as a sophomore, junior and senior ... 121 pancake blocks as a senior while allowing no sacks ... Express-News Texas Top 10 ... Houston Touchdown Club and Houston player of year finalist ... Dave Campbell Super Texas team and player of year runner-up ... Top 100 national ranking from ESPN, Scout, Rivals, Superprep ... enrolled at Ohio State in January ... son of Bret and Donna Shugarts ... father played for Indiana (Pa.) and Pittsburgh Steelers.

jake stoneburner

>> WIDE RECEIVER

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6-5, 225
Dublin, Ohio
Dublin Coffman

Record-setting receiver who totaled 1,267 yards on 74 catches with 15 scores as a senior ... enrolled at OSU in March ... all-state, all-metro, all-district and all-OCC as a junior and senior ... 168 career receptions for 2,751 yards with 28 TD ... U.S. Army All-America and Big 33 games ... runner-up for Gatorade state player of the year ... ESPN, Scout, PrepStar Top 150 ... Rivals, Superprep 250 ... Buckeye BlueChip ... also a basketball and track standout ... son of Mark and Cathy Stoneburner.

andrew sweat

>> LINEBACKER

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6-2, 225
Washington, Pa.
Trinity

Dominant defender from western Pennsylvania ... enrolled at OSU in March ... 113 tackles, 21 TFL, five forced fumbles, two interceptions as a senior ... 160 tackles as a junior ... Washington County athlete of year ... ESPN All-America ... Pittsburgh Post-Gazette "Fab 22" as a junior and senior ... Under Armour All-America game ... Top 100 ranking from ESPN, Scout, PrepStar, Superprep ... also a baseball and basketball starter ... National Honor Society, SADD, Team Trinity, Peer Jury, Spanish club ... son of Gary and Cheryl Sweat ... father played football at Syracuse.

lamar **thomas**

>> WIDE RECEIVER

5-11, 186
Ft. Washington, Md.
Friendly

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All-state speedster who totaled 1,690 all-purpose yards as a senior ... rushed for 2,623 career yards and 20 TD ... 1,209 career receiving yards with nine scores ... U.S. Army All-America Bowl ... team went 42-6 during his career, winning the 2006 state title ... Rivals, PrepStar, Superprep Top 40 ... Scout Top 150 ... Maryland state champion at 55 and 100 meters ... state runner-up in 200 ... Prince George's County and Star/Gazette track athlete of the year ... son of Sean and Elwanda Thomas.

keith **wells**

>> DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

6-5, 210
Gainesville, Ga.
Gainesville

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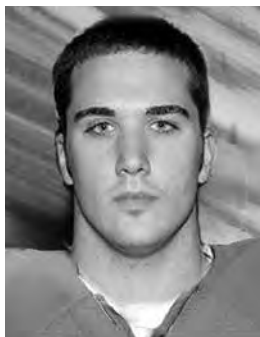
Athletic defensive end with plenty of potential ... 75 tackles and seven sacks as a senior ... all-conference and all-county ... Gainesville Times "Elite 11" ... Atlanta Journal-Constitution "Super Southern 100" ... Superprep Top 200 ... PrepStar all-Southeast ... played only two years of high school football for the Red Elephants ... 33-inch vertical jump ... basketball and track letterman ... Scout Top 200 ... son of Cynthia and Kevin Wells.

nathan **williams**

>> DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

6-4, 245
Washington Court House, Ohio
Miami Trace

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All-Ohio defender who was district defensive player of year as a junior and senior ... 139 tackles, 15 TFL, five sacks for the South Central League champions ... also rushed for 524 yards and 10 scores ... three times an all-league, all-district and all-Ohio honoree ... Big 33 game ... ONN all-Ohio ... Scout, Rivals, Superprep Top 250 ... PrepStar All-America ... Buckeye BlueChip ... also a basketball and track letterman ... teacher's assistant and DARE role model ... son of Trina White and Phillip Williams.



2003

Tostitos Fiesta Bowl



2004

Master Card Alamo Bowl



2005

Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

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AN OVERALL RECORD OF **/73-16/**

/45-11/ RECORD IN THE BIG TEN

» TRESSEL AT OHIO STATE

Year	W	L	Pct.	Postseason
2001	7	5	.583	Outback Bowl
2002	14	0	1.000	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl (National Champions)
2003	11	2	.846	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl
2004	8	4	.666	MasterCard Alamo Bowl
2005	10	2	.833	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl
2006	12	1	.923	BCS National Championship Game
2007	11	2	.846	AT&T BCS National Championship Game
Totals	73	16	.820	

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JIM TRESSEL IS / **6-1** / VS. MICHIGAN AND / **4-3** / IN BOWL GAMES





TRESSEL AGAINST THE BIG TEN AND MICHIGAN

Year	W	L	Pct	finish	against Michigan
2001	5	3	.625	3rd	OSU wins at Michigan, 26-20
2002	8	0	1.000	1st-tie	OSU defeats Michigan, 14-9
2003	6	2	.750	2nd-tie	OSU loses at Michigan, 35-21
2004	4	4	.500	5th-tie	OSU defeats Michigan, 37-21
2005	7	1	.875	1st-tie	OSU wins at Michigan, 25-21
2006	8	0	1.000	1st	OSU defeats Michigan, 42-39
2007	7	1	.875	1st	OSU wins at Michigan, 14-3
Totals	45	11	.804		Record vs. Michigan, 6-1

» Tressel **BOWL GAMES** at Ohio State (4-3)

2001 SEASON

2002 Outback Bowl

South Carolina 31, Ohio State 28

2002 SEASON

2003 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl*

Ohio State 31, Miami, Fla. 24

2003 SEASON

2004 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

Ohio State 35, Kansas State 28

2004 SEASON

2004 MasterCard Alamo Bowl

Ohio State 33, Oklahoma State 7

2005 SEASON

2006 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

Ohio State 34, Notre Dame 20

2006 SEASON

2006 BCS National Championship Game

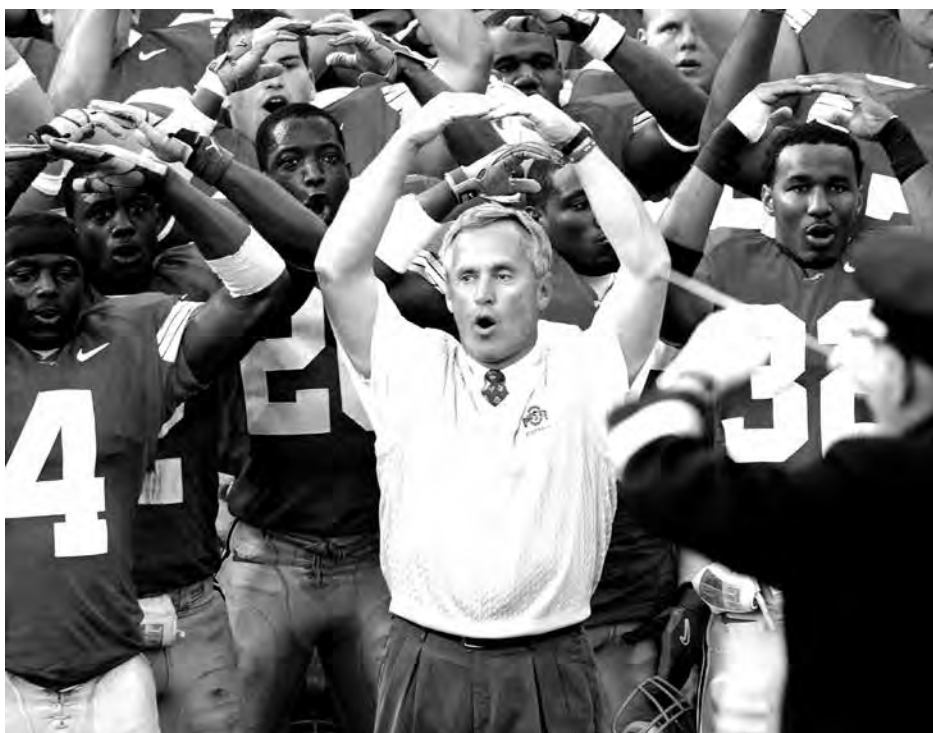
Florida 41, Ohio State 14

2007 SEASON

2007 BCS National Championship Game

LSU 38, Ohio State 24

*National Championship Game



21 FIRST TEAM ALL-AMERICANS

2001	LeCharles Bentley	C
	Mike Doss	SS
2002	Mike Doss	SS
	Andy Groom	P
	Mike Nugent	K
	Matt Wilhelm	LB
2003	Will Allen	SS
	Will Smith	DE
	B.J. Sander	P
2004	Mike Nugent	PK
	A.J. Hawk	LB
2005	A.J. Hawk	LB
	Donte Whitner	SS
	Nick Mangold	C
2006	Troy Smith	QB
	James Laurinaitis	LB
	Quinn Pitcock	OL
2007	Kirk Barton	OT
	Vernon Gholston	DL
	Malcolm Jenkins	DB
	James Laurinaitis	LB

44 FIRST TEAM ALL-BIG TEN SELECTIONS

2001	LeCharles Bentley	C
	Mike Doss	SS
	Tyson Walter	OT
2002	Maurice Claret	RB
	Mike Doss	SS
	Chris Gamble	CB
	Andy Groom	P
	Mike Nugent	K
	Darrion Scott	DL
	Matt Wilhelm	LB
2003	Will Smith	DE
	Will Allen	SS
	Alex Stepanovich	OG
	Ben Hartsock	TE
	Tim Anderson	DT
	A.J. Hawk	LB
	Chris Gamble	CB
	B.J. Sander	P
2004	A.J. Hawk	LB
	Mike Nugent	PK
2005	A.J. Hawk	LB
	Mike Kudla	DE
	Nate Salley	FS
	Rob Sims	OG
	Josh Huston	PK
	Santonio Holmes	WR
	Donte Whitner	SS
	Ashton Youboty	CB
2006	Troy Smith	QB
	Antonio Pittman	RB
	Anthony Gonzalez	WR
	TJ Downing	G
	Doug Datish	C
	Ted Ginn, Jr.	WR
	Quinn Pitcock	OL
	James Laurinaitis	LB
	Malcolm Jenkins	DB
	Antonio Smith	DB
2007	Kirk Barton	OT
	Todd Boeckman	QB
	Vernon Gholston	DL
	Malcolm Jenkins	DB
	James Laurinaitis	LB
	Beanie Wells	RB



[TRESSEL] major award winners



- >> **Butkus Award**
James Laurinaitis, 2007
- Heisman Trophy**
Troy Smith, 2006
- Bronko Nagurski Award**
James Laurinaitis, 2006
- Davey O'Brien Award**
Troy Smith, 2006
- Walter Camp Award**
Troy Smith, 2006
- Wuerffel Trophy**
Joel Penton, 2006
- Lombardi Award**
A.J. Hawk, 2005
- Ray Guy Award**
B.J. Sander, 2003
- Lou Groza Award**
Mike Nugent, 2004
- Rimington Award**
LeCharles Bentley, 2001

UNDER TRESSEL, OHIO STATE HAS PRODUCED

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FIRST ROUND PICKS, INCLUDING FIVE IN 2006



ANTHONY GONZALEZ



TED GINN JR.



TROY SMITH

OSU also had 14 Overall Draft Picks in 2004, the most ever by one school. The previous school record was 12 in the 1975 draft.

Additionally, Ohio State had five first-round picks in 2006 the most by one team in the '06 draft and the most ever by a Big Ten school.

FIRST ROUND NFL PICKS UNDER TRESSEL

Player	Team	Pick	Year
Chris Gamble	Carolina Panthers	18th	2004
Michael Jenkins	Atlanta Falcons	28th	2004
Will Smith	New Orleans Saints	29th	2004
A.J. Hawk	Green Bay Packers	5th	2006
Donte Whitner	Buffalo Bills	8th	2006
Bobby Carpenter	Dallas Cowboys	18th	2006
Santonio Holmes	Pittsburg Steelers	25th	2006
Nick Mangold	New York Jets	29th	2006
Ted Ginn, Jr.	Miami Dolphins	9th	2007
Anthony Gonzalez	Indianapolis Colts	32nd	2007
Vernon Gholston	New York Jets	6th	2008

DRAFT BY BIG TEN SINCE 2002

School	Overall	1st Rd.
Ohio State	52	11
Michigan	34	5
Wisconsin	28	4
Iowa	26	3
Penn State	25	6
Purdue	23	3
Michigan State	21	2
Minnesota	12	1
Illinois	12	1
Northwestern	10	2
Indiana	7	0

MOST FIRST ROUND PICKS IN A SEASON

- 6 Miami, 2004
- 5 Ohio State, 2006
- Miami, 2005
- 4 Louisiana State, 2007
- Auburn, 2005
- Miami, 2003
- Miami, 2001
- Florida State, 1997
- Notre Dame, 1993.

[TRESSEL] academic achievement

>> ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

2003	Craig Krenzel*	QB
2006	Anthony Gonzalez	SE
	Stan White Jr.	FB
2007	Brian Robiskie	FL

* Academic All-American of the year



craig krenzel



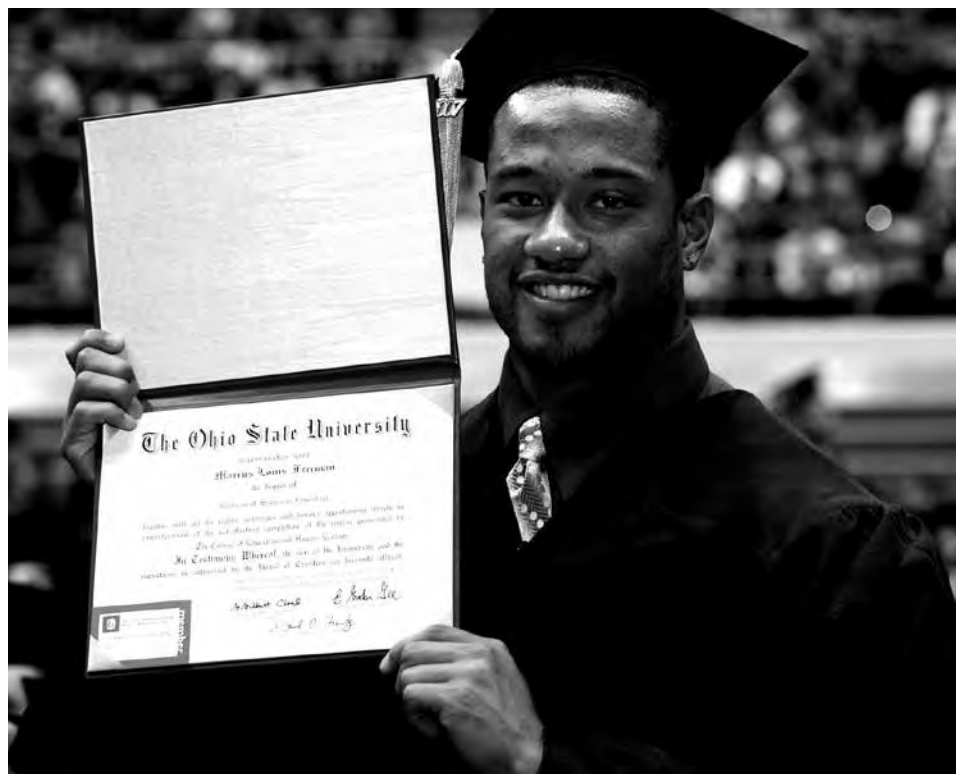
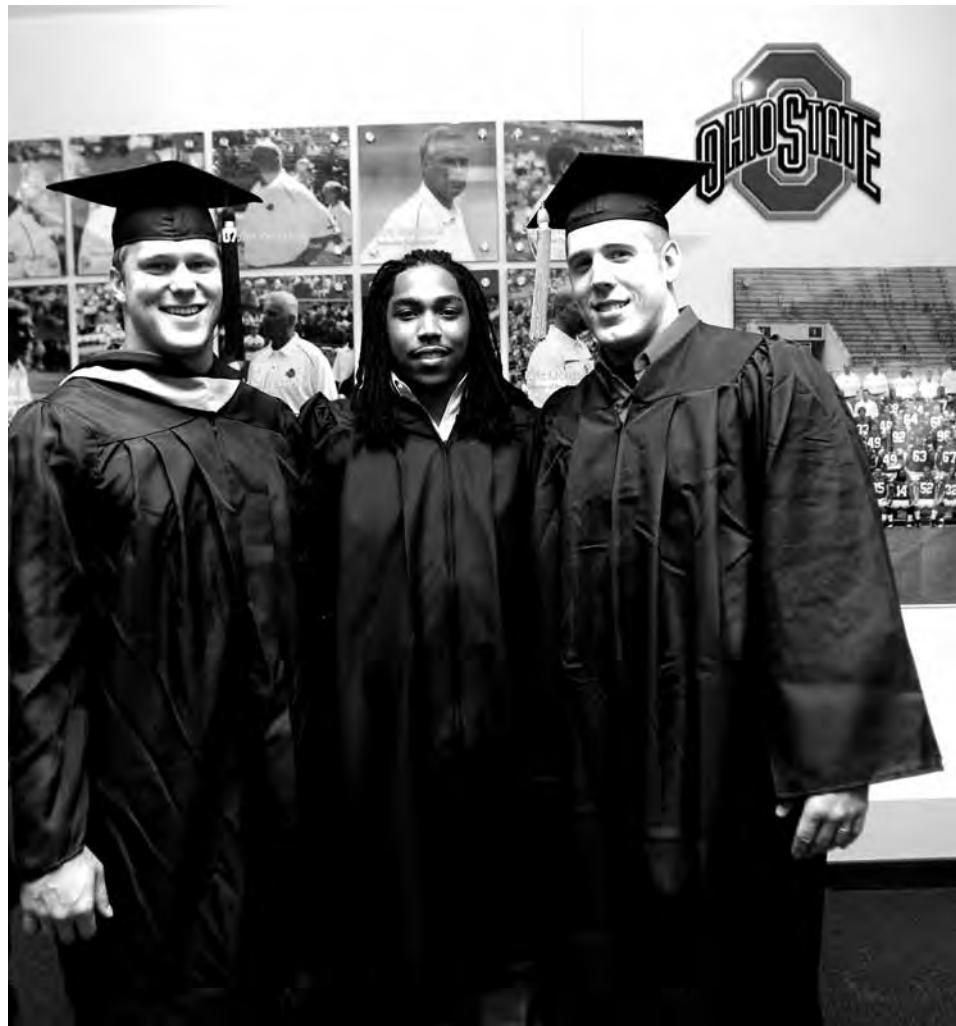
anthony gonzalez



stan white jr.



brian robiskie





» ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN

2001	Andy Groom	P/K
	Ben Hartsock	TE
	Harlen Jacobs	DB
	Mike Jacobs	C
	Jesse Kline	TB
	Jim Kortovich	LB
	Craig Krenzel	QB
	Fred Pagac	LB
	Tyson Walter	OT
	David Andrews	TE
2002	Jason Caldwell	TE
	John Conroy	OL
	Christopher Conwell	CB
	Ryan Cook	OT
	Bryce Culver	DE
	Dustin Fox	CB
	Simon Fraser	DE
	Stephan Graef	DE
	Andrew Groom	P
	Maurice Hall	RB
	Ben Hartsock	TE
	Joshua Huston	P/K
	Craig Krenzel	QB
	John McLaughlin	OT
	Jeremy Miller	LS
	Steven Moore	CB
	Mike Nugent	PK
	Adam Olds	OG
	James Otis	QB
	Fred Pagac, Jr.	LB
2003	Brandon Schnittker	FB
	Jack Tucker	FB
	Kyle Turano	P/K
	Bryan Weaver	P/DB
	Stephan Winne	OL
	Michael Young	WR
	Bryce Culver	DE
	Mike DeMaria	TB
	Dustin Fox	CB
	Simon Fraser	DE
	Steve Graef	DE
	Maurice Hall	TB

2004	Roy Hall	SE
	Ben Hartsock	TE
	Craig Krenzel	QB
	Nick Mangold	OC
	Brandon Mitchell	FS
	Steven Moore	CB
	Adam Olds	OG
	Jim Otis	QB
	Fred Pagac Jr.	LB
	Joel Penton	DE
	Quinn Pitcock	DT
	Nate Salley	FS
	Brandon Schnittker	FB
	Troy Smith	QB
	Stan White	TE
	Jason Caldwell	TE
	R.J. Coleman	OG
	Doug Datish	OG
	Mike DeMaria	TB
	Dustin Fox	CB
2005	Simon Fraser	DE
	Anthony Gonzalez	WR
	Maurice Hall	TB
	Roy Hall	SE
	Derek Harden	WR
	Curt Lukens	LB
	Nick Mangold	OC
	John McLaughlin	OT
	Brandon Mitchell	FS
	Andrew Norman	LS
	Joel Penton	DL
	Nate Salley	FS
	Brandon Schnittker	FB
	Antonio Smith	FS
	Stanley White	TE
	Steve Winner	C
	Justin Zwick	QB
	Alex Barrow	DE
	Doug Datish	OG
	Marcus Freeman	LB
	Ted Ginn Jr.	FL
	Anthony Gonzalez	SE

2006	Roy Hall	SE
	Derek Harden	WR
	Dionte Johnson	FB
	Curt Lukens	SS
	Nick Mangold	OC
	Drew Norman	LS
	Nick Patterson	DB
	Joel Penton	DL
	Steve Rehling	OT
	Brandon Schnittker	FB
	Jon Skinner	OG
	Antonio Smith	CB
	Stan White, Jr.	FB
	Alex Barrow	DE
	Kirk Barton	OT
2007	James Cordle	C
	Doug Datish	C
	Todd Denlinger	DL
	Marcus Freeman	LB
	Anthony Gonzalez	SE
	Larry Grant	LB
	Roy Hall	SE
	Derek Harden	WR
	Brian Hartline	WR
	Dionte Johnson	FB
	James Laurinaitis	LB
	Dimitrios Makridis	LS
	Brandon Mitchell	FS
	Drew Norman	LS
	Joel Penton	DL
	Ryan Pretorius	K
	Brian Robiskie	FL
	Jon Skinner	OG
	Antonio Smith	CB
	Austin Spitler	LB
	Stan White, Jr.	FB
	Alex Barrow	DE
	Kirk Barton	OT
	James Cordle	OC
	Doug Datish	C
	Todd Denlinger	DL
	Marcus Freeman	LB

2008	Anthony Gonzalez	SE
	Larry Grant	LB
	Roy Hall	SE
	Derek Harden	WR
	Brian Hartline	WR
	Dionte Johnson	FB
	James Laurinaitis	LB
	Dimitrios Makridis	LS
	Brandon Mitchell	FS
	Andrew Norman	LS
	Joel Penton	DL
	Ryan Pretorius	K
	Brian Robiskie	FL
	Jon Skinner	OG
	Antonio Smith	CB
2009	Austin Spitler	LB
	Stan White, Jr.	FB
	Kirk Barton	OT
	Bryant Browning	OL
	Jim Cordle	OC
	Brett Daly	DL
	Todd Denlinger	DL
	Dan Dye	OL
	Marcus Freeman	LB
	Larry Grant	LB
	Jackson Haas	LS
	Brian Hartline	WR
	Ross Homan	LB
	Dionte Johnson	FB
	Dexter Larimore	DT
	James Laurinaitis	LB
	David Lisko	WR
	Ryan Lukens	LB
	Dimitrios Makridis	LS
	Ryan Pretorius	K
	Brian Robiskie	WR
	Jon Skinner	OG
	Austin Spitler	LB
	Chris Wells	RB
	Tyler Whaley	FB
	Marcus Williams	RB

jim tressel [HEAD COACH]

>> EIGHTH SEASON, BALDWIN WALLACE

The numbers on Jim Tressel are just as straightforward as the man himself.

208 career wins; nine national title game appearances; four Big Ten titles; seven bowl appearances; and national championships in 1991, 1993, 1994, 1997 and 2002. Or 19 first team All-Americans at Ohio State; Heisman, Lombardi, O'Brien, Butkus, Nagurski, Groza, Rimington, Walter Camp, Ray Guy, Wuerffel and Draddy award winners; 44 first team all-Big Ten selections. Add a .820 winning percentage with the Buckeyes; 112 players earning Ohio State degrees during his tenure; and the most academic all-Big Ten selections in the conference each of his years as coach.

Pretty simple to see why Ohio State football has been successful with Jim Tressel at the helm.

Simple, too, to unravel the man in the sweater vest, who likes hot coffee, mowing the lawn and a good cheeseburger (no onions). While fans fantasize that pomp and circumstance surround one of the most accomplished figures in college football, Tressel is much more "what you see is what you get."

He likes his music a little bit country, he enjoys working with the people around him, and he wants more than anything to help his players become the sort of people others will enjoy being around. He knows there are powerful forces influencing a young man as he sets out on his life's course. Tressel believes one of the best influences is football.

He reminds his players daily that representing Ohio State is a privilege, an advantage that allows them to enhance the futures of themselves, their families and communities through education and enlightened concern. Meticulous in his habits but magnanimous in his generosity, Tressel emphasizes organization, planning and accountability as not just important in football, but as skills for life.

Using a game he loves as the means to grow people toward their potential, Tressel is a big-picture thinker, but is most comfortable with people one-on-one. Nobody signs more autographs or sends more notes of encouragement, one at a time for people who prize them, and no one is more genuinely puzzled at what the fuss is all about.

But Jim Tressel's works have brought great results to Ohio State football.

Now into his eighth season since taking the reins at OSU in 2001, Tressel has guided the Buckeyes to an overall record of 73-16, seven bowl appearances (including five BCS games), five 10-win seasons, four Big Ten titles and one national championship.

Tressel, who owns an overall record of 208-73-2 after 22 years as a head coach, was named as the Buckeyes' 22nd head coach Jan. 18, 2001. His original five-year contract was extended through 2008 following the 2002 season; he was given a new contract at the end of the 2005 campaign that runs through 2012.

Tressel's first Ohio State squad earned a 7-5 record with a dramatic road win over Michigan in the regular-season finale; he is 6-1 thus far against the Wolverines. In 2002, Ohio State came from out of nowhere to capture the Big Ten's first consensus national title since 1968, posting a 13-0 regular-season record and then upsetting top-ranked Miami in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl in a 31-24 double-overtime thriller, becoming the first Division I-A school to record a 14-0 campaign.

During 2003, Tressel led the Buckeyes to an 11-2 record and their second consecutive BCS bowl appearance, where OSU defeated Kansas State in a return visit to the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl. Despite the loss of 28 seniors and an NFL-record 14 players to the draft, the 2004 Buckeyes attained an 8-4 record that included wins over Michigan in the regular-season finale and Oklahoma State in the MasterCard Alamo Bowl. In 2005, the 10-2 Buckeyes tied for the Big Ten title (7-1) and closed the season with back-to-back wins over Michigan and Notre Dame.

In 2006, Ohio State opened the season at No. 1 in the polls and held that ranking throughout the course of the regular season, the first team to go wire-to-wire at the top spot. Posting a 12-0 record during the regular season, Ohio State recorded wins over Texas and





tressel quick facts

Full Name: James Patrick Tressel

Born: Dec. 5, 1952

Hometown: Mentor, Ohio (also lived in Massillon and Berea as a youngster)

High School: Berea

Alma Mater: Baldwin-Wallace, '75 (B.S. in education, graduated cum laude); Akron, '77 (master's in education)

Playing Career: Four-time varsity letterman ('71, '72, '73, '74); all-conference as a senior

Married: To the former Ellen Watson, a graduate of Youngstown State

Children: Sons: Zak and Eric; and daughters: Carlee and Whitney.

Coaching Career: Graduate Assistant, Akron, 1975; Quarterbacks, Receivers and Running Backs Coach, Akron, 1976-78; Quarterbacks and Receivers Coach, Miami (Ohio), 1979-80; Quarterbacks Coach, Syracuse, 1981-82; Quarterbacks, Receivers and Running Backs Coach, Ohio State, 1983-85; Head Coach, Youngstown State, 1986-2000; Head Coach, Ohio State, 2001-present

Assisted Under: Jim Dennison (Akron); Tom Reed (Miami of Ohio); Dick MacPherson (Syracuse); Earle Bruce (Ohio State)

Accolades: 2002 Division I National Championship; Four Division I-AA National Championships; Chevrolet National Coach of the Year in 1993, 1994 and 1997; American Football Coaches Association National Coach of the Year in 1991, 1994 and 2002; Eddie Robinson National Coach of the Year in 1994 and 2002; AFCA Regional Coach of the Year in 1987 and 1993; six-time Ohio Coach of the Year.

Highlights: Has led Ohio State to four victories in six bowl appearances, including a double-overtime win over Miami in the 2002 national championship game, and is 3-1 in BCS games; Led Youngstown State to the 1991, '93, '94 and '97 Division I-AA National Championships, 6 appearances in the Division I-AA National Championship Game, 10 appearances in the I-AA playoffs, and a playoff record of 23-6 and 12 winning seasons. Ohio State has finished in the top 5 nationally four of the past five years, including the No. 2 spot in 2006.

Coaching Family: His father, Lee Tressel, compiled a career record of 155-52-6 at Baldwin Wallace and won the 1978 Division III National Championship. An older brother, Dick Tressel, coached at Hamline University in Minnesota between 1978 and 2000 and compiled a record of 124-102-2 in 23 seasons. That gives the Tressel family an all-time record of 476-225-10. Lee and Jim are the only father-and-son combination ever to win national championships.

Michigan, both of which were ranked No. 2 at the time they played the Buckeyes, and played Florida in the BCS championship game in Arizona. In 2007, despite the loss of 12 players to pro ball, 11-2 Ohio State won another outright Big Ten title and carried the No. 1 ranking in the polls for five weeks, again advancing to the BCS title game, facing LSU in New Orleans.

Prior to coming to Ohio State, Tressel spent 15 seasons as head coach at Youngstown State, where he also served for a time as athletics director. His years there were ripe with success, the Penguins winning four national championships and qualifying for the Division I-AA playoffs a remarkable 10 times. During his stay at YSU, he compiled an overall record of 135-57-2 and was a four-time pick as the Division I-AA National Coach of the Year.

But making the jump to Ohio State was not a difficult decision for Tressel. His Buckeye roots run deep.

His father, the late Lee Tressel, who became a coaching legend at Baldwin Wallace College in northeastern Ohio, played briefly at Ohio State before his collegiate career was cut short by World War II. As a youngster, Jim grew up shagging balls for Cleveland Browns' great Lou "The Toe" Groza who also attended Ohio State.

Born in Mentor, Ohio, where his father reeled off 34 consecutive wins as a high school coach before becoming the head coach at Massillon High School, Tressel spent most of his childhood in Berea, more often than not accompanying his father to football practices and games at Baldwin Wallace.

A 1971 Berea High graduate, Tressel played for his father at Baldwin Wallace, earning four letters at quarterback and winning all-conference honors as a senior in 1974. He graduated cum laude in 1975 with a degree in education.

Jim embarked upon his coaching career in the fall of 1975 as a graduate assistant at Akron, where he remained through the 1978 season, serving in a full-time capacity his last three seasons as coach of the quarterbacks, receivers and running backs. While at Akron, he earned his master's degree.

Tressel spent the 1979 and '80 seasons as quarterback and receiver coach at Miami of Ohio. He left the "Cradle of Coaches" in 1981 to become the quarterbacks coach at Syracuse, where he spent two seasons before returning to Ohio in 1983 as a member of Earle Bruce's Ohio State staff.

In Tressel's first year at Ohio State, the Buckeyes posted a 9-3 record and defeated Pitt in the Fiesta Bowl, OSU scoring the winning touchdown on a 39-yard pass from quarterback Mike Tomczak to split end Thad Jemison with 39 seconds left in the game.

In 1984 and '85, Tressel was given the added responsibility of coaching the Buckeyes' running backs. The '84 team won the Big Ten and played in the Rose Bowl, and junior tailback Keith Byars finished second in the Heisman voting. In 1985, the Buckeyes defeated BYU in the Florida Citrus Bowl.



[TRESSSEL'S CAREER RECORD]

Year	School	W	L	T	Pct.	Postseason (round)
1986	Youngstown State	2	9	0	.182	
1987	Youngstown State	8	4	0	.667	Playoffs (1)
1988	Youngstown State	4	7	0	.364	
1989	Youngstown State	9	4	0	.692	Playoffs (2)
1990	Youngstown State	11	1	0	.917	Playoffs (1)
1991	Youngstown State	12	3	0	.800	Champions
1992	Youngstown State	11	3	1	.767	Runners-up
1993	Youngstown State	13	2	0	.867	Champions
1994	Youngstown State	14	0	1	.967	Champions
1995	Youngstown State	3	8	0	.273	
1996	Youngstown State	8	3	0	.727	
1997	Youngstown State	13	2	0	.867	Champions
1998	Youngstown State	6	5	0	.545	
1999	Youngstown State	12	3	0	.800	Runners-up
2000	Youngstown State	9	3	0	.750	Playoffs (1)
2001	Ohio State	7	5	0	.583	Outback Bowl
2002	Ohio State	14	0	0	1.000	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl (National Champions)
2003	Ohio State	11	2	0	.846	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl
2004	Ohio State	8	4	0	.666	The Mastercard Alamo Bowl
2005	Ohio State	10	2	0	.833	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl
2006	Ohio State	12	1	0	.923	Tostitos BCS National Championship Game
2007	Ohio State	11	2	0	.917	Allstate BCS National Championship Game
TOTALS		208	73	2	.741	

Regarded as one of the up-and-coming young assistant coaches in college football, Tressel was ready for the next step. But his transition to head coach at Youngstown State did not start auspiciously. Tressel's first team lost the first four games of 1986 and finished with a 2-9 record. His first win as a college coach came 30-6 against Tennessee Tech in Youngstown Oct. 11.

But from that humble beginning, Tressel built a powerhouse.

In 1987, the second-year coach guided the Penguins to an 8-4 record and their first appearance in the Division I-AA playoffs. YSU won the Ohio Valley Conference title and Tressel was named OVC Coach of the Year. In 1989, the Penguins began an incredible run of six consecutive playoff appearances, winning three national championships and playing in four straight title games between 1991 and 1994.

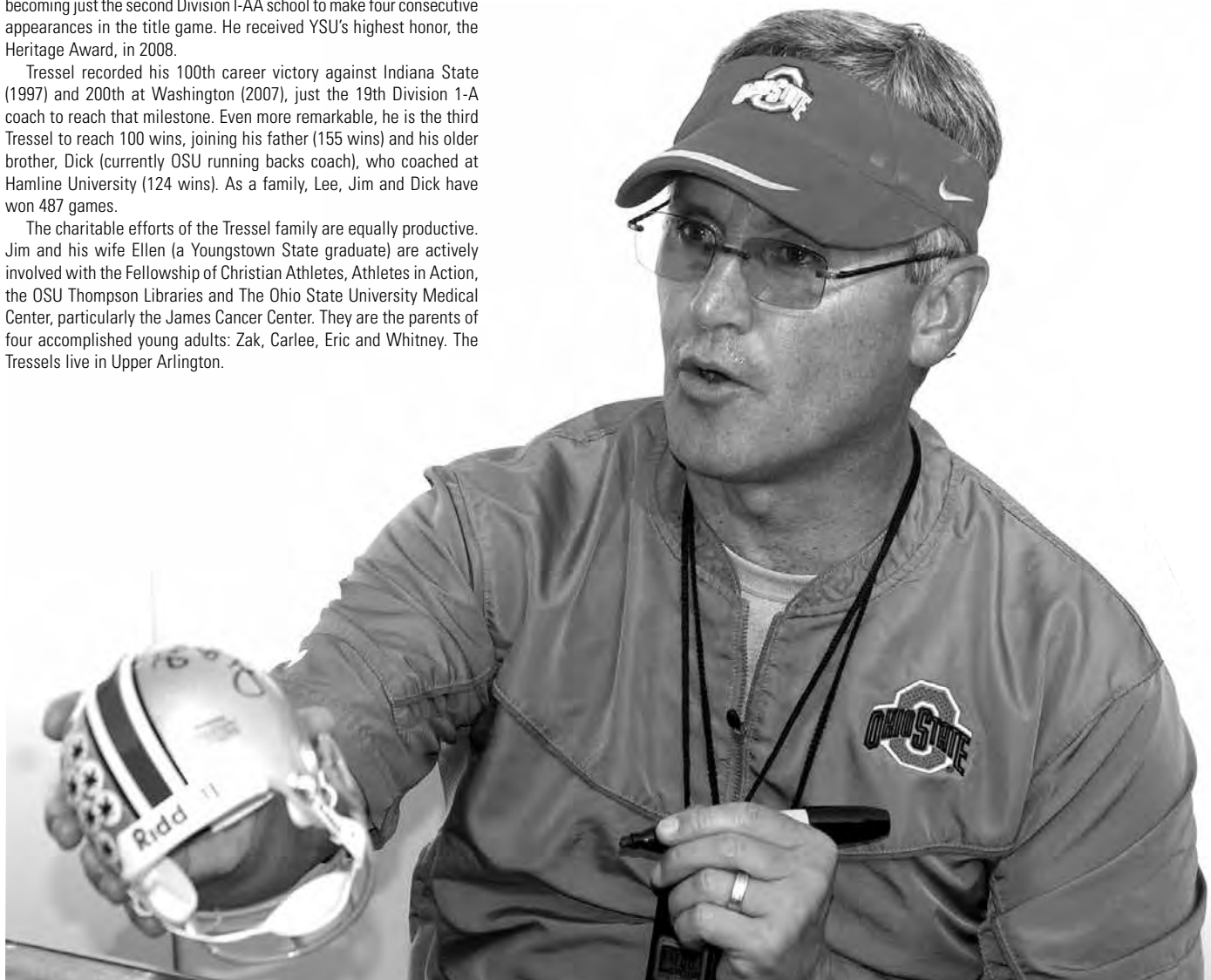
Tressel's first national crown came in 1991, when the Penguins defeated Marshall, 25-17, in the championship game. As a result of that victory, Jim and his dad became the only father-and-son combination in college football to win national titles (Lee Tressel won the 1978 Division III crown at Baldwin Wallace).

The Penguins lost a championship rematch with Marshall the following year, but won the rubber game with the Thundering Herd in 1993 for their second I-AA title in three years. YSU won its third crown in four years in 1994 with a 28-14 win over Boise State. Tressel's fourth national title came in 1997, when the Penguins defeated McNeese State, 10-9, in the championship game. Youngstown State also played for the title in 1999, but lost to Georgia Southern in the finals. In 2000, YSU posted a 9-3 record and its 10th playoff appearance.

Five of Tressel's teams won 12 or more games in a season, including his 1994 championship squad, which fashioned a 14-0-1 record. His 1991, '92, '93 and '94 teams all played for the national championship, becoming just the second Division I-AA school to make four consecutive appearances in the title game. He received YSU's highest honor, the Heritage Award, in 2008.

Tressel recorded his 100th career victory against Indiana State (1997) and 200th at Washington (2007), just the 19th Division I-A coach to reach that milestone. Even more remarkable, he is the third Tressel to reach 100 wins, joining his father (155 wins) and his older brother, Dick (currently OSU running backs coach), who coached at Hamline University (124 wins). As a family, Lee, Jim and Dick have won 487 games.

The charitable efforts of the Tressel family are equally productive. Jim and his wife Ellen (a Youngstown State graduate) are actively involved with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Athletes in Action, the OSU Thompson Libraries and The Ohio State University Medical Center, particularly the James Cancer Center. They are the parents of four accomplished young adults: Zak, Carlee, Eric and Whitney. The Tressels live in Upper Arlington.





THE TRESSEL FAMILY (clockwise from back left) - Zak, Whitney, Eric, Jim, Ellen, Carlee and the family dogs, Scarlett and Gracie

TRESSEL ALL-TIME VS. OPPONENTS

Opponent	W-L-T
Akron	9-2-1
Alcorn State	1-0-0
Ashland	1-0-0
Austin Peay	1-1-0
Bloomsburg	1-0-0
Boise State	1-0-0
Boston	1-0-0
Bowling Green	3-1-0
Buffalo	4-1-0
Cal Poly	2-0-0
Central Florida	1-2-0
Central Michigan	1-1-0
Cincinnati	3-0-0
Citadel	1-0-0
Clarion	3-0-0
Delaware	0-2-0
Delaware State	3-1-0
Eastern Illinois	2-0-0
Eastern Kentucky	4-2-0
Eastern Michigan	1-4-0
Eastern Washington	1-0-0
Edinboro	4-0-0
Florida	0-1-0
Florida A&M	1-0-0
Furman	0-1-0
Georgia Southern	3-1-0
Hampton	1-0-0
Hofstra	3-0-0
Idaho	1-0-0
Illinois	3-2-0
Illinois State	3-5-0
Indiana	6-0-0
Indiana (Pa.)	1-0-0
Indiana State	9-1-0
Iowa	3-1-0
James Madison	2-1-0
Kansas State	1-0-0
Kent	6-3-0
Liberty	3-2-0
LSU	0-1-0
Maine	1-1-0
Marshall	3-3-0
Massachusetts	1-0-0
McNeese State	2-1-0
Miami, Fla.	1-0-0
Miami, Ohio	1-0-0
Michigan	6-1-0
Michigan State	5-0-0
Middle Tennessee	1-1-0
Minnesota	4-0-0
Montana	2-0-0
Morehead State	1-1-0
Morgan State	3-0-0
Murray State	1-1-0
Nevada-Reno	1-0-0
New Haven	1-0-0
Nicholls State	0-1-0
Northeastern	4-3-0
Northern Illinois	1-0-0
Northern Iowa	3-4-0
Northwestern	6-1-0
Northwestern State	1-0-0
North Alabama	1-0-0
North Carolina A&T	2-0-0
North Carolina State	1-0-0
Notre Dame	1-0-0
Ohio	2-0-0
Oklahoma State	1-0-0
Richmond	0-1-0
Penn State	5-2-0
Purdue	4-1-0
Samford	2-0-0
San Jose State	1-0-0
San Diego State	3-0-0
Slippery Rock	7-0-0
South Carolina	0-1-0
Southern Illinois	4-2-0
Southwestern Missouri	5-0-0
Southwestern Texas St.	1-0-0
Stephen F. Austin	1-2-1
Tennessee Tech	2-0-0
Texas	1-1-0
Texas Tech	1-0-0
Towson State	4-0-0
UCLA	0-1-0
Villanova	4-0-0
Washington	2-0-0
Washington State	1-0-0
Wisconsin	2-3-0
Western Illinois	1-3-0
Western Kentucky	1-1-0
Western Michigan	1-1-0
Wingate	1-0-0
Wofford	1-0-0
Totals	208-72-2

jim bollman » EIGHTH SEASON

OFFENSIVE COORDINATOR AND OFFENSIVE LINE COACH



THE BOLLMAN FILE

Hometown: Ashtabula, Ohio
 High School: Ashtabula Harbor High School
 College: Ohio University
 Years in Coaching: 31
 Wife: Terri
 Children: Courtney, Stephanie

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2001- Present	Offensive Coordinator, Offensive Line	Ohio State University
1999-2000	Tight Ends	Chicago Bears
1998	Tight Ends	Philadelphia Eagles
1995-1997	Offensive Line	Michigan State University
1991-1994	Offensive Line	University of Virginia
1989-1990	Offensive Coordinator	Youngstown State University
1986-1988	Defensive Coordinator	Youngstown State University
1985	Assistant Head Coach, Linebackers	North Carolina State University
1983-1984	Assistant Head Coach, Offensive Line	North Carolina State University
1978-1982	Offensive Line	Miami University (Ohio)
1977	Graduate Assistant	Miami University (Ohio)

Jim Bollman is in his eighth season at Ohio State, serving as the Buckeyes' offensive coordinator and offensive line coach for one of the nation's most proficient units. During his tenure with the Buckeyes, he has tutored 11 linemen now playing in the NFL.

A native of Ashtabula, Ohio, Bollman came to Ohio State from the Chicago Bears, where he spent the 1999 and 2000 seasons as tight ends coach. He was the tight ends coach for the Philadelphia Eagles in 1998 and has collegiate coaching experience at Michigan State, Virginia, Youngstown State, North Carolina State and Miami (Ohio) on his impressive resume.

Bollman played college football at Ohio University. He won four letters as an offensive lineman for the Bobcats and was team captain as a senior in 1976. He graduated from Ohio University in 1977 with a degree in education. He was inducted into the Ashtabula County Football Hall of Fame in 2007.

Jim and his wife Terri, a native of Dayton and also a graduate of Ohio University, have two daughters, Courtney and Stephanie.



"Jim Bollman is like a brother to me and a terrific role model in coaching. It's not just his knowledge of the game, but how he teaches it so thoroughly to others, that make him outstanding."

- Michigan State head coach Mark Dantonio

jim heacock » 13TH SEASON

DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR



THE HEACOCK FILE

Hometown: Alliance, Ohio
 High School: West Branch High School
 College: Muskingum College
 Years in Coaching: 37
 Wife: Sherry
 Children: Stephanie, Shannon

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2005-Present	Defensive Coordinator.....	Ohio State University
1996-2004	Defensive Line Coach.....	Ohio State University
1988-1995	Head Coach.....	Illinois State University
1983-1987	Defensive Line.....	University of Washington
1981-1982	Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator	Bowling Green State University
1978-1980	Defensive Line.....	Bowling Green State University
1975-1977	Defensive Coordinator.....	Muskingum College
1973-1974	Defensive Backs.....	Muskingum College
1972	Graduate Assistant.....	Bowling Green State University
1971	Assistant Coach	Marlington High School

Jim Heacock is in his 13th year as a member of the Ohio State football staff. After serving as the Buckeyes' defensive line coach for nine seasons, he was elevated to defensive coordinator prior to the beginning of the 2005 season.

The 2007 Ohio State defense ranked first in the nation in total defense (233 yds/gm), scoring defense (12.77 pts/gm) and pass defense (150.1 yds/gm). The Buckeyes were also among the NCAA Top 10 in rush defense (3), pass efficiency defense (4), sacks (6) and tackles for loss (8). As recognition for that effort, Heacock was selected as the 2007 winner of the Frank Broyles Award, presented to the nation's most outstanding assistant coach.

A native of Alliance, Ohio, and a graduate of Muskingum College, the highly respected Heacock is in his 37th year in the coaching profession. He was head coach at Illinois State from 1988-95, and has also served stints as an assistant at Washington, Bowling Green and Muskingum.

Heacock came to Ohio State in 1996 as an assistant under John Cooper. When Jim Tressel replaced Cooper after the 2000 season, Heacock was one of three assistant coaches retained from the previous staff. Heacock has been one of the leading defensive line coaches in the nation throughout his years at Ohio State, producing *23 defensive linemen who have made NFL rosters. There are 12 of those players currently starting in the NFL including Mike Vrabel (New England Patriots) and Will Smith (New Orleans Saints).

Heacock graduated from Muskingum in 1970. Jim and his wife, Sherry, have two daughters, Stephanie and Shannon.



"Coach Heacock played a huge role in my career with what he taught me as a freshman in terms of work ethic, technique, preparation and how to focus to achieve your goals – things that I still use today in the NFL."

– Will Smith, New Orleans Saints

joe daniels » EIGHTH SEASON

QUARTERBACKS COACH AND PASSING GAME COORDINATOR



THE DANIELS FILE

Hometown: Bethel Park, Pa.
 High School: Bethel Park High School
 College: Slippery Rock University
 Years in Coaching: 39
 Wife: Kathy
 Children: Matthew, Kaitlin

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2004-Present	Passing Game Coordinator, Quarterbacks.....	Ohio State University
2001-2003	Quarterbacks and Wide Receivers	Ohio State University
2000-2001	Assistant Head Coach, Offensive Coordinator.....	University of Cincinnati
1998-1999	Wide Receivers	University of Cincinnati
1997	Running Backs	University of Cincinnati
1990-1991	Quarterbacks	New York Jets
1989	Offensive Coordinator, Quarterbacks.....	University of Akron
1986-1987	Wide Receivers	Buffalo Bills
1983-1985	Wide Receivers	Cleveland Browns
1981-1983	Offensive Coordinator, Quarterbacks.....	University of Pittsburgh
1980-1981	Running Backs	University of Pittsburgh
1978-1980	Quarterbacks	West Virginia University
1968-1978	Quarterbacks and Wide Receivers	Boston College
1967	Assistant Coach	University of New Hampshire
1966	Graduate Assistant.....	East Stroudsburg State University
1964-1965	Assistant Coach	Johnstown Bishop McCort High School

Joe Daniels is in his eighth season as a member of the Ohio State football staff. He coaches the Buckeyes' quarterbacks and also serves as passing game coordinator.

Daniels is in his 39th year in the coaching profession. He has extensive experience on both the collegiate and professional levels and is regarded as one of the outstanding teachers in the game. Daniels joined the Ohio State staff in the late winter of 2001 as coach of the quarterbacks and wide receivers. He was named to his present position prior to the start of the 2004 campaign. Daniels has been instrumental in the development of many outstanding players, most notably 2006 All-America and Heisman Trophy winner Troy Smith. He was one of five finalists for the 2006 Frank Broyles Award as the nation's most outstanding assistant coach.

A native of Bethel Park, Pa. Daniels graduated from Slippery Rock University in 1964 with a degree in physical education. He played running back in college and was a four-year letterwinner.

His coaching career has been distinguished, with players such as Ken O'Brien, Andre Reed, Ozzie Newsome and Dan Marino under his tutelage. Daniels was elected to the Bethel Park Hall of Fame in 2002 and to the Slippery Rock Hall of Fame in 2004.

Daniels and his wife, Kathy, have two children: Matthew, a Buckeye student assistant coach, and Kaitlin, a member of the OSU cheerleading squad.



"The No. 1 thing about Joe Daniels is that he is always so positive. Regardless of the outcome of a game or after practice, he delivered the message across to you in a constructive and positive manner."

- Craig Krenzel, Ohio State quarterback, 2001-04

luke fickell » SEVENTH SEASON

CO-DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR AND LINEBACKERS COACH



THE FICKELL FILE

Hometown: Columbus, Ohio
 High School: DeSales High School
 College: Ohio State University
 Years in Coaching: Nine
 Wife: Amy
 Children: Landon, Luca, Aiden, Ashton

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2005-Present	Co-Defensive Coordinator, Linebackers.....	Ohio State University
2004	Linebackers	Ohio State University
2002-2003	Special Teams Coordinator.....	Ohio State University
2000-2001	Defensive Line Coach.....	University of Akron
1999	Graduate Assistant.....	Ohio State University

Luke Fickell is in his seventh year on the Ohio State coaching staff. He coaches the Buckeyes linebackers and is co-defensive coordinator. He was named to the latter position in April, 2005. In that role, he is actively involved in game planning and strategy.

Fickell is a Columbus native (DeSales High School) and a 1997 graduate of Ohio State, where he was a four-year starter at nose guard. Post-graduation, Fickell spent a year on the injured reserve list with the New Orleans Saints before beginning his coaching career.

During his first two years at Ohio State, Fickell was in charge of the special teams and assisted with the defensive front. In his role as special teams coordinator, Fickell had specific responsibility for the punting team. Under his tutelage, that unit has excelled, leading the Big Ten in net punting in three of the past four years.

Fickell played for the Buckeyes from 1992-96, redshirting the first year and then starting the next four seasons at nose guard. He started a school-record 50 consecutive games between 1993 and 1996.

Fickell concluded his Ohio State career with 212 total tackles, including 26 tackles-for-loss and six sacks. During his four years in the starting lineup, the Buckeyes posted a combined record of 41-8-1 overall and were 26-5-1 in Big Ten play with a pair of Big Ten co-championships to their credit. With the win over Arizona State in the Rose Bowl, the Buckeyes finished the 1996 season with a sparkling 11-1 record and were second in both major polls in the final rankings.

Fickell and his former OSU teammates Mike Vrabel and Ryan Miller founded the 2nd-and-Seven charitable foundation for youth literacy.

Luke and his wife, Amy (an Ohio State physical therapy graduate), have four children: Landon, Luca, and twins Aydon and Ashton.



"Luke Fickell is the perfect combination that makes a great coach. He earns your respect immediately with his knowledge of the game, the fact that he was a great player himself, his endless dedication, his personal interest in each of us and the fact that he wants to win more than anyone." – **A.J. Hawk, Green Bay Packers**



paul haynes » FOURTH SEASON

SAFETIES COACH



THE HAYNES FILE

Hometown: Columbus, Ohio
 High School: DeSales High School
 College: Kent State University
 Years in Coaching: 14
 Wife: Danita
 Children: Jordyn, Tarron, Kennedy Rose

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2005-Present	Defensive Backs	Ohio State University
2003-2004	Defensive Backs	Michigan State University
2002	Defensive Backs	University of Louisville
2001	Quality Control	Jacksonville Jaguars
1999-2000	Assistant Head Coach, Secondary	Kent State University
1997-1998	Running Backs, Secondary	University of Northern Iowa
1995-1996	Defensive Backs	Ferris State University
1994	Graduate Assistant	Bowling Green State University

Paul Haynes is in his fourth season at Ohio State. A native of Columbus and a graduate of DeSales High School, Haynes is in charge of the Buckeyes' safeties.

Haynes walked on at Kent State University in the fall of 1987 and went on to play four years of football for the Golden Flashes. As a freshman, he led the team in interceptions. As a sophomore, he led the team with 116 tackles. After missing the 1989 campaign with a knee injury, he started his final two years and wound up his career as the seventh leading tackler in Kent State history with 440 stops. He played for three different head coaches at Kent – Glen Mason, Dick Crum and Pete Cordelli.

After coaching stops at Bowling Green, Ferris State, Northern Iowa, Kent State, Louisville, Michigan State and the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars, in the spring of 2005, Haynes eagerly accepted a position with Jim Tressel at Ohio State as coach of the Buckeyes' safeties.

Paul and his wife, Danita, have three children: Jordyn, Tarron and Kennedy Rose.



"I've coached Paul and coached with Paul and they don't come any better. In any aspect of football, his knowledge is a reliable source." – **Perry Fewell, Buffalo Bills defensive coordinator**

darrell hazell

» FIFTH SEASON

ASSISTANT HEAD COACH AND WIDE RECEIVERS COACH



THE HAZELL FILE

Hometown: Cinnaminson, N.J.
 High School: Cinnaminson High School
 College: Muskingum College
 Years in Coaching: 23
 Wife: Annemarie
 Children: Kyle

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2005-Present	Assistant Head Coach, Wide Receivers	Ohio State University
2004	Wide Receivers, Kick Returns	Ohio State University
2003	Assistant Head Coach	Rutgers University
2001-2002	Wide Receivers	Rutgers University
1999-2000	Running Backs	West Virginia University
1997-1998	Wide Receivers, Tight Ends	U.S. Military Academy
1995-1996	Wide Receivers	Western Michigan University
1992-1994	Running Backs	University of Pennsylvania
1989-1991	Offensive Coordinator	Oberlin College
1988	Running Backs, Wide Receivers	Eastern Illinois University
1986-1987	Running Backs	Oberlin College

Darrell Hazell is in his fifth year as a member of the Ohio State coaching staff and his 23rd season as a coach on the collegiate level. He serves as assistant head coach and also coaches the Buckeyes' wide receivers.

Hazell, a native of Cinnaminson, N.J. and a graduate of Muskingum College, joined the Ohio State staff in February, 2004, following a three-year stay at Rutgers.

After a standout high school career in New Jersey, Hazell enrolled at Muskingum in the fall of 1982. He moved into the starting lineup as a sophomore and was a regular his last three years, winning all-conference honors all three of those seasons. As a senior, he also won All-America honors and was selected by his teammates as team captain.

Hazell graduated from Muskingum in 1986 and began his coaching career the following fall as running backs coach at Oberlin College.

Since coming to Ohio State, Hazell has helped develop a number of outstanding Buckeyes, including eight who currently play in the NFL.

Darrell and Annemarie have a son, Kyle.



"Coach Hazell gets the absolute best out of each and every player that is fortunate enough to be coached by him. Simply put, Ohio State football would not have enjoyed the level of success that it has over the last few years if not for his passion for teaching and commitment to his players." – **Anthony Gonzalez, Indianapolis Colts**

taver johnson

» SECOND SEASON

CORNERBACKS COACH



THE JOHNSON FILE

Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio
 High School: C.A.P.E. High School
 College: Wittenberg University
 Years in Coaching: 14
 Wife: Sharday
 Children: Tyree, Brooklyn

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2005-2006	Assistant Head Coach, Defensive Coordinator	Miami University (Ohio)
2004	Special Teams	Cleveland Browns
2000-2003	Linebackers	Miami University (Ohio)
1999	Graduate Assistant	Notre Dame University
1996-1998	Linebackers, Defensive Coordinator	Millikin University
1994-1995	Defensive Line	Wittenberg University

Taver Johnson is in his second year as coach of the Ohio State cornerbacks. He joined Jim Tressel's coaching staff in March, 2007.

Johnson is a native of Cincinnati and a graduate of C.A.P.E. High School. After an outstanding high school career, he went on to play three years of football at Wittenberg, where he was a two-time All-American and the North Coast Athletics Conference Defensive Player of the Year in 1992 and '93.

After receiving his undergraduate degree in business administration from Wittenberg in 1994, Johnson launched his coaching career at his alma mater, spending the 1994 and 1995 seasons there as the Tigers' defensive line coach. He also served coaching stints at Millikin (1996-98), Notre Dame (1999), and the Cleveland Browns (2004). Johnson came to OSU after two tours of duty at Miami University, most recently as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator (2005-06).

Johnson and his wife, Sharday, have a son, Tyree and a daughter, Brooklyn.



"Coach Johnson's ability to get the most out of his players, surpassing their own expectations, is a testament to his unique talent." – **John Busing, Cincinnati Bengals**

john peterson »FIFTH SEASON

TIGHT ENDS COACH AND RECRUITING COORDINATOR



THE PETERSON FILE

Hometown: Middletown, Ohio
 High School: Middletown High School
 College: Ohio State University
 Years in Coaching: 16
 Wife: Michelle
 Children: Austin, Cole

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2004-Present	Recruiting Coordinator, Tight Ends	Ohio State University
1999-2003	Running Game, Offensive Line	Miami University (Ohio)
1995-1998	Offensive Line	University of Akron
1993-1994	Graduate Assistant.....	Ohio State University
1991-1992	Graduate Assistant.....	University of Cincinnati

John Peterson is in his fifth year as a member of the Ohio State coaching staff. An Ohio State graduate and former starter on the offensive line for the Buckeyes, Peterson returned to his alma mater in April, 2004, in the dual role of tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator. He has established himself as an excellent position coach as well as an outstanding evaluator of talent.

A native of Middletown, Ohio, Peterson was a four-year letterman for the Buckeyes between 1987 and 1990, starting at guard as a senior. During his tenure, the Buckeyes made trips to the Cotton, Hall of Fame and Liberty bowls.

Peterson was a high school All-American at Middletown and was named as the state's big school offensive lineman of the year as a senior in 1986. He also broke the 28-year-old Middletown High School shot put record that had been held by Ohio State's legendary basketball All-American Jerry Lucas. John was inducted into the Middletown High School Hall of Fame in 2001 and the Butler County Hall of Fame in 2007.

Peterson and his wife, Michelle, a native of Middletown and a graduate of Ohio University, have two sons, Austin and Cole. Michelle's uncle, Jerry Harkrader, played football for the Buckeyes in the mid 1950s.



"In Coach Pete, Ohio State is lucky not only to have a great coach, but also a great teacher and a great role model for its football program."

- Franklin Smith, Butler University offensive coordinator



dick tressel

»EIGHTH SEASON

RUNNING BACKS COACH

**THE TRESSSEL FILE**

Hometown: Berea, Ohio

High School: Berea

College: Baldwin Wallace (Undergraduate Degree),
Florida State University (Master's Degree), University
of Minnesota (Doctorate Degree)

Years in Coaching: 28

Wife: Connie

Children: Mike, Ben, Luke

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2004 – Present	Running Backs	Ohio State University
2001-2003	Associate Director of Football Operations.....	Ohio State University
1979-2000	Director of Athletics, Head Football Coach	Hamline University
1978-1979	Head Football Coach	Hamline University
1974-1977	Defensive Coordinator.....	Wayne State University
1971-1973	Head Coach	Gibsonburg High School
1970	Graduate Assistant.....	Florida State University

Dick Tressel is in his fifth year as the Buckeyes' running backs coach and his eighth season at Ohio State. Tressel, the older brother of Ohio State head coach Jim Tressel, joined the football staff in 2001 as associate director of football operations. The head football coach at Hamline University in Minnesota for 23 years before coming to Ohio State, Tressel returned to on-the-field coaching in 2004, taking over the Buckeye running backs.

At Hamline, where he also served as director of athletics for 21 years, Tressel was 124-102-2, directing the Pipers to the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championship in 1984 and 1988. In 1984, he was honored as Division III coach of the year.

Tressel was born in Columbus and grew up in Berea, Ohio, where his father was head coach at Baldwin Wallace College. He played both football and baseball at B-W, earning four letters in each sport. A three-year starter at defensive back, he won second team all-conference honors as a senior. He still holds the school record in baseball for playing the entire season without a fielding error at second base.

Tressel graduated from Baldwin Wallace in 1970 with a degree in physical education. He received his master's from Florida State in 1976 and his doctorate from the University of Minnesota in 1996. He is a member of the Minnesota High School Football Coaches, Berea High School and Hamline University halls of fame.

Dick and his wife, Connie, have three sons: Mike, Ben and Luke. Ben and Luke played football for their father at Hamline; Mike played at Cornell College in Iowa and is now an assistant at Michigan State under former Buckeye defensive coordinator Mark Dantonio. Ben and Luke teach physical education and coach in Minnesota. Daughters-in-law Mega, Allyson and Rachel and four grandchildren – Logan, Quincy, Zoe and Jack – round out the Tressel family.



"Coach has played a big role in helping me grow and mature as a player and an individual. More importantly, he's taught me how to be a leader and is always there to help me with anything, both on and off the field." –

Chris "Beanie" Wells

bob tucker » EIGHTH SEASON

DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL OPERATIONS



Bob Tucker is in his eighth year as director of football operations at Ohio State. He accompanied head coach Jim Tressel to Columbus from Youngstown State.

This is Tucker's second tour of duty with the Buckeyes. He was a member of Earle Bruce's Ohio State staff from 1979 through 1984, serving first as outside linebackers coach (1979-81) and later as defensive coordinator (1982-84). While at Ohio State under Bruce, the Buckeyes won three Big Ten championships and played in six bowl games, including two Rose Bowls (1979, '84).

A native of Sandusky, Ohio, Tucker is a 1965 graduate of the College of Wooster; he served as head coach at his alma mater from 1985-97. He received a master's degree from Penn State in 1967. His coaching career has also included stops at Youngstown State, Iowa State, Wichita State and Massillon (Ohio) High School.

Bob and his wife, Lynn, a lifelong educator, have three children: Diana, Michelle (both teachers) and Scott, a 2002 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, currently stationed in Germany.

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2001- Present	Director of Football Operations	Ohio State University
2000	Linebackers and Special Teams.....	Youngstown State University
1997-1999	Defensive Coordinator.....	Youngstown State University
1985-1997	Head Coach	College of Wooster
1979-1984	Defensive Coord. and Outside Linebackers ...	Ohio State University
1973-1977	Defensive Ends.....	Iowa State University
1972	Defensive Coordinator.....	Wichita State University
1969-1971	Linebackers	Wichita State University
1967-1968	Assistant Coach	Massillon High School
1965-1966	Graduate Assistant.....	Penn State University



stan jefferson » FIFTH SEASON

DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT



Stan Jefferson is in his fifth year at Ohio State. He joined the Buckeye football staff in July, 2004, as the associate director of football operations. After two years in that capacity, he was named director of player development in the spring of 2006.

Jefferson works closely with director of operations Bob Tucker in orchestrating the day-to-day workings of the football program. In addition to monitoring the academic progress of the student-athletes, he is also the point person for the Buckeyes' far-reaching community relations and outreach initiatives.

Prior to coming to Ohio State, Jefferson spent nearly 30 years as a high school coach and administrator in Mansfield, Ohio, and was one of the most respected educators in the state. While serving as the head football coach at Mansfield Senior High School, Jefferson's teams posted a combined record of 65-39, captured four league titles and made four playoff appearances between 1993 and 2002. Twelve times the Coach of the Year in the Ohio Heartland, Northwest District and Cardinal Conference, he was a finalist for the National Football League High School Coach of the Year award in 1999.

Born in Dayton, Ohio, Jefferson graduated from Ohio State in 1974 and earned his master's degree from Bowling Green in 1984. He was a walk-on member of the football team in 1970 and earned a freshman numeral that year; the NCAA discontinued freshman football in 1971.

A member of the Valley View Hall of Fame, Jefferson will be inducted to the Mansfield Hall of Fame in February, 2009.

Stan's wife, Shirley, a Norwalk, Ohio, native, is a graduate of Ashland University and the University of Toledo.

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2006-Present	Director of Player Development	Ohio State University
2004-2006	Associate Director of Football Operations.....	Ohio State University
2003-2004	Principal	Mansfield Senior High School
1995-2002	Head Coach and Assistant Principal.	Mansfield Senior High School
1993-1994	Head Coach and Social Studies Teacher	Mansfield Senior HS
1982 - 1992	Wide Receivers	Ashland University
1976-1982	Assistant Coach	Mansfield Malabar High School

greg gillum »FOURTH SEASON**ASSISTANT RECRUITING COORDINATOR**

Greg Gillum is in his fourth season as a program assistant in recruiting for Ohio State. He works closely with the Buckeyes' recruiting coordinator John Peterson and assists the coaching staff with many other duties.

Gillum has spent 25 years in the coaching profession at both the high school and college levels. He spent nine years as an assistant coach at Akron and one at Ashland before arriving at Ohio State in 2005.

Gillum spent 12 years coaching at the high school level, including the first nine as an assistant to former OSU assistant coach Lee

Owens at Galion, Lancaster and Massillon Washington high schools.

From 1992-94 Gillum was the head coach at Lyndhurst Brush High School near Cleveland. He then rejoined Owens at Akron in 1995 and spent the next nine seasons there as recruiting coordinator and wide receivers coach, mentoring Akron's all-time leading receiver, Matt Cherry, formerly of the Jacksonville Jaguars.

Gillum spent the 2004 season with Owens at Ashland before joining Tressel's staff at Ohio State.

A native of Plymouth, Ohio, Gillum earned a degree in business education from Ohio State in 1983. He went on to secure a master's degree in educational administration from Dayton in 1990. Gillum and his wife Jody have two sons, Tyler and Tanner, and a daughter, Myriah.

COACHING ASSIGNMENTS

2005-Present	Asst. Recruiting Coord.....	Ohio State University
2004	Asst Head Coach/WR.....	Ashland University
1995-2003	Wide Receivers	University of Akron
1992-94	Head Coach	Lyndhurst Brush HS
1988-91	Assistant Coach	Massillon Washington HS
1987	Assistant Coach	Lancaster HS
1983-86	Assistant Coach	Galion HS

**amy burgess** »THIRD SEASON**SUPERVISOR OF INTERNAL OPERATIONS**

Amy Burgess is in her third year as supervisor of internal operations at Ohio State, coordinating the summer youth camp, assisting with recruiting and serving as the team's compliance liaison. A native of Columbus, Ohio, Burgess is in her seventh year with the Ohio State athletics department after serving as director of Buckeye sports camps her first four years.

Burgess earned a bachelor's degree in human and organization development from Vanderbilt University, where she was a two-time captain and most valuable player of

the lacrosse team and was a first team Academic All-American. After graduating from Vanderbilt, Burgess spent four years at Fifth Third Bank as a retail banking center manager and public funds officer before entering graduate school.

Burgess earned a master's degree in sport and exercise management from Ohio State, serving as a graduate assistant in the compliance office during that time.

Amy lives in German Village with her husband Ryan and daughter Elizabeth.



mark **quisenberry** » SEVENTH SEASON

VIDEO COORDINATOR



Now in his seventh season with the Buckeyes, Mark Quisenberry serves as the director of football video for Ohio State. Quisenberry coordinates all video needs for the OSU coaching staff, including practices, games, opponent film exchange, meteorological reports, coaches' cut-ups and team highlight films.

Quisenberry joined Ohio State in July, 2002, after two years at North Carolina State as the Wolfpack's football video director. He held the same position at Western Kentucky from 1995-99, Tennessee State in 1999 and East Carolina from 1999-2000.

A native of Louisville, Ky., Quisenberry is a graduate of Male High School, where he was a four-year letterwinner in soccer and also earned one letter in track.

Quisenberry attended Western Kentucky University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in political science in 1995 and a master's degree in physical education in 1999. While at WKU, he was a four-year football manager and received the WKU Football Extra Effort Award presented annually by head football coach Jack Harbaugh.

As a graduate student, Quisenberry served as an assistant to Harbaugh as the Hilltoppers fashioned a 10-2 record and advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals in 1997.

Quisenberry and his wife, Belinda, a former assistant softball coach for the Buckeyes, have a son, Bryce, and a daughter Teagan.

larry **romanoff** » SECOND SEASON

DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS



A 34-year veteran of the Ohio State Department of Athletics, Larry Romanoff is the director of external relations for football. After retiring from Ohio State in June, 2007, he returned to Coach Jim Tressel's staff working with current and former players, assisting with part-time and full-time job opportunities and other education-related matters.

A native of Toledo, Romanoff graduated from Ohio State in 1974 and served as a football manager during that time, including as head manager in his final last two seasons. In

1975, Romanoff earned a master's degree in athletic administration from Ohio University and returned to Ohio State, where he began serving in the athletic ticket office before moving to the academic counseling division, where he spent 19 years.

In 1991, Romanoff was promoted to assistant athletic director for academic counseling, where he remained until 1994. During that period Romanoff served as Ohio States liaison to the Big Ten and the NCAA. He also administered the grant-in-aid program and ran the Compliance Committee that was charged with the task of educating the coaching staff, student-athletes, booster groups and alumni on NCAA rules and regulations.

In 1998, Romanoff moved to the athletic development office as Director of Alumni and Membership Services. He was responsible for the athletic endowment program and stewardship of the athletic development area. In 2003, Romanoff picked up event management duties as well, running the events for several sports and coordinating tours of Ohio Stadium.

Romanoff and his wife, Debbie, have three adult children: Jennifer and her husband Jason Crichfield; Michael; and Steven, also a former football manager.

eric **lichter** » THIRD SEASON

DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL PERFORMANCE



Eric Lichter is in his third year as Ohio State's director of football performance. He joined Jim Tressel's staff in June, 2006.

Lichter oversees all aspects of the Buckeyes' strength and conditioning program and emphasizes speed, explosiveness and position-specific training. Ground-based training and Olympic style weightlifting are major components of the program as he strives to improve the Buckeyes' strength, reaction time, flexibility, balance, agility and linear and multi-directional speed.

Lichter attended Weber State, where he played three years of football before graduating in 1997 with a degree in lifestyle management and exercise sciences.

certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist and a certified personal trainer, Lichter worked 10 years in the private sector as a personal trainer and consultant. Specializing in combine and draft preparation for high-profile athletes, Lichter has trained more than 45 current NFL and NBA players, including 13 first-round and five Top 10 selections.

Lichter and his wife, Annemarie, have three children, Tyler, Ava and Taurian. Eric's mother, Linda Lichter Witter, is Ohio State's synchronized swimming coach.



jeff **uhlenhake** » SECOND SEASON

STRENGTH COORDINATOR



Former All-American and 10-year NFL veteran Jeff Uhlenhake is in his second season back with the Ohio State football program as a strength and conditioning assistant, working with the Buckeyes in all phases of their training and physical development.

Uhlenhake served as offensive quality control coach with Ohio State during the 2003 season before leaving for Cincinnati to coach the offensive line under former OSU defensive coordinator Mark Dantonio. After one season with the Bearcats, Uhlenhake spent the 2005 and 2006 seasons with the Cleveland Browns,

where he coached the offensive line, first as an assistant before taking over the position for the final 10 games of 2006.

A four-year starter at offensive guard and then center for the Buckeyes, Uhlenhake was a two-time All-Big Ten honoree and earned first team All-America honors as a senior in 1988, when he served as a captain and was voted the team's most valuable player. Uhlenhake was drafted by the Miami Dolphins and played 10 years in the NFL, including five seasons with Miami (1989-93), two with New Orleans (1994-95) and three with Washington (1996-98).

In 2000, Uhlenhake got his coaching career started as the offensive line coach for Centerville High School in Centerville, Va., where he helped the team to a state championship. During the 2001-02 and 2002-03 school years, Uhlenhake served as the athletics director and head football coach at Lehman Catholic High School in Sidney, Ohio.

A native of Newark, Ohio, Uhlenhake prepped at Newark Catholic High School, where he was the 1984 Ohio Class "A" Lineman of the Year and played in three state championship games.

Uhlenhake lives in Columbus with his wife, Angie, and their sons, Jake and Benham.

doug davis » SECOND SEASON

COORDINATOR OF STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING



Doug Davis is in his second season as a strength assistant at Ohio State, working with director of football performance Eric Lichter to design and implement the year-round strength and conditioning program for the Buckeyes.

Prior to coming to Ohio State, Davis was a strength and conditioning coach at the University of South Florida, working with football and track. He also worked at an Olympic training center in Tampa Bay, where he obtained his U.S. Olympic Weightlifting certification, and has helped prepare a number of elite athletes for professional and international competition.

Born in Columbus, Davis earned three letters in football and track at Pickerington High School. He earned a bachelor's degree from Ohio Dominican in 2004 and is working to complete a master's degree in kinesiology from Georgia Southern. He is certified through the National Strength and Conditioning Association as a Strength and Conditioning Specialist.



troy sutton » FIRST SEASON

COORDINATOR OF STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING



Troy Sutton has returned to Ohio State as a strength assistant for the Buckeyes, working with director of football performance Eric Lichter to design and implement the year-round strength and conditioning program for OSU football.

Sutton was a strength and conditioning assistant at Ohio State from 2005-07, working with men's and women's track and field, men's and women's lacrosse and men's swimming. From February-April, 2008, he was at Arizona State as an assistant strength coach working with football and track before returning to his

alma mater in May.

Sutton received his bachelor's degree in sport and leisure studies from Ohio State in 2004 and earned a master's degree in health and human services from Ohio University in 2005. He played a year of football at Tiffin before transferring to Ohio State, where he spent one year with the football team before starting work as an intern (2001-04) in the strength and conditioning program.

A Columbus native and graduate of Beechcroft High School, Sutton, who is single, is certified through the National Strength and Conditioning Association as a Strength and Conditioning Specialist and has additional certification from USA Weightlifting as a club coach.

nick **siciliano** » FOURTH SEASON

OFFENSIVE QUALITY CONTROL



Nick Siciliano, football operations assistant, is in his fourth season at Ohio State and his ninth season of collegiate coaching. He works closely with the Buckeye quarterbacks and Coach Joe Daniels among his many duties with the OSU offense.

Previously the offensive quality control assistant, Siciliano joined the Buckeye staff prior to the 2005 season after spending two seasons at North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro, N.C. He coached A&T's wide receivers in 2003 and quarterbacks in 2004,

while serving as the special teams coordinator both years. In 2003 the Aggies won the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference title and qualified for the NCAA Division I-AA national playoffs. Siciliano, whose recruiting region included Ohio, saw his punt block unit collect seven blocked punts in 2003.



Siciliano, who is a native of Youngstown, Ohio, is a 1999 graduate of Youngstown State University, where he majored in computer information systems and was a student football coach under Jim Tressel. Siciliano coached on the 1997 NCAA I-AA national championship team and then went on to spend two seasons as the assistant video coordinator under Bob Stoops at the University of Oklahoma, helping the Sooners to the 2001 Orange Bowl and their 2000 national championship.

Siciliano returned to Youngstown State for the 2001 season as the tight ends coach under Jon Heacock. He moved onto Urbana University in Urbana, Ohio, for the 2002 season as the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach before beginning his two-year stint at North Carolina A&T.

He and his wife, Analisa, are the proud (and busy) parents of four children born in February -- Giovanni, Cole, Gabrielle and Zoey -- known as the "Columbus Quad Squad."

chad **rogosheske** » SECOND SEASON

OFFENSIVE GRADUATE ASSISTANT



Chad Rogosheske is in his second season on the Ohio State coaching staff as a graduate assistant. He works directly with the specialists, including long snappers, punters and kickers, coordinates the defensive scout team and assists offensive coordinator Jim Bollman with the offensive line.

A native of Minneapolis, Minn., Rogosheske is in his 11th year of coaching at the collegiate level. He is a 1994 graduate of Columbia Heights High School, where he was an all-conference running back and also played

hockey and tennis. After playing in the Minnesota high school all-star game, he played football at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn., from 1994-97 under current OSU running backs coach Dick Tressel.

Rogosheske earned all-conference and academic all-conference honors as a senior running back at Hamline and played one year of collegiate hockey. He graduated in 1998 with a degree in social studies and physical education and an education certification.

Rogosheske began his coaching career at Hamline as a part-time running backs coach for three years while he taught middle school physical education. He then spent one year as the receivers coach at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa, before returning to Hamline for five seasons. Rogosheske coached the running backs in 2002 and 2003, served as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach in 2004 and defensive coordinator and safeties coach in 2005 and 2006. In 2005, his defense led the nation in turnovers, averaging 4.1 takeaways per game.



fred **pagac jr.** » SECOND SEASON

DEFENSIVE GRADUATE ASSISTANT



Former Buckeye Fred Pagac Jr. is in his second year on the Ohio State coaching staff, serving as a graduate assistant. He works primarily with the defensive line, supervises the offensive scout team and assists co-defensive coordinator Jim Heacock.

Pagac was a four-year letterwinner for Ohio State from 1999-2003, playing in 39 games and making 10 starts at middle linebacker as a senior when he posted career highs with 36 tackles, 3.5 tackles for loss and one quarterback sack. During the Buckeyes'

2002 national championship season, he played in nine games and collected 11 tackles, including two behind the line of scrimmage before missing the end of the season with shoulder surgery.

Pagac graduated from Ohio State in 2004 with a degree in real estate management and was signed as a free agent by the St. Louis Rams in June of that year. After he was released by the Rams, he signed a one-year contract with the Frankfurt Galaxy of NFL Europe and played the 2005 season there before an injury ended his playing days.

From July, 2006, to March, 2007, Pagac worked with State Farm Insurance in Ft. Wayne, Ind., before returning to Columbus in March, 2007, to rejoin the Buckeyes.

chris **hauser** » THIRD SEASON

DEFENSIVE QUALITY CONTROL



Chris Hauser is in his third year on the Ohio State coaching staff working primarily with the Buckeye defense. He serves as the defensive quality control coach and assists linebackers coach Luke Fickell, after serving as the defensive graduate assistant in 2006.

After eight years at the University of Akron (1998-2004) as both a student-athlete and coach, Hauser returned to his hometown of Columbus prior to the 2006 season after one year as the wide receivers coach at Ft. Hayes State. A 1997 graduate of Bishop Hartley High

School, where he was the school's male athlete of the year as a senior, Hauser played baseball at Akron for one season before walking on to the Zips' football team. A knee injury ended his playing career early, which prompted him to begin as a student coach under Zip boss and former OSU assistant Lee Owens.

In 2000 Hauser helped direct Akron to the Mid-American Conference East Division title, coaching the defensive line alongside current OSU assistant Luke Fickell. Hauser received a bachelor of science degree in health education in 2002 and joined the coaching staff at Akron for the next two seasons as a graduate assistant, working with the defensive backs. He worked with the defensive line in 2004 under first year head coach JD Brookhart and the Zips went 6-5 and played for the division title in the final game of the season. Hauser earned a master's degree in sports science and coaching from Akron in 2004.





doug **calland** » 14TH SEASON

HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER



Doug Calland, a member of the Ohio State athletic training staff since 1995, serves as head athletic trainer for the Buckeyes and is in charge of overseeing the football program and all aspects of athletic training in the Ohio State athletics department. He helped oversee the finishing touches of the new athletic training center in the \$19 million renovation to the WHAC.

Calland is from Columbus and is a graduate of Whetstone High School. He graduated from Ohio State in 1981 with a bachelor's degree in physical education and a minor in health education. As an undergraduate, he spent four years on the athletic training staff working with a variety of sports, including football.

Prior to his graduation from OSU, Calland served as the head athletic trainer for the Pittsburgh Pirates Rookie League team in Bradenton, Fla.

Following his graduation from Ohio State, Calland was a graduate assistant athletic trainer for two years at Oklahoma State University. While there, he worked with the wrestling program and assisted with football. He earned his master's degree in educational administration from Oklahoma State in 1983.

Immediately after graduation, Calland joined the athletic training staff at the University of Washington, where he spent 11 years working primarily with football and men's basketball. In 1994, he was promoted to assistant head athletic trainer. While he was at Washington, the Huskies played in three Rose Bowls and captured the 1991 national championship.

Calland returned to Ohio State in 1995 to work with the football team. He has had oversight of the football program since 2000, was named co-head athletic trainer in 2005 and named head athletic trainer in 2007. During the 2007 season, he was the first non-player to receive the Jim Parker hit of the week award, for the Purdue game.

Calland is a member National Athletic Trainers Association and the Ohio Athletic Trainers Association. He serves on the NATA's National Honors and Awards Committee. He also serves on the NFL/Collegiate Athletic Trainer Committee.

In addition to his duties with athletics, Calland is a clinical course instructor in Ohio State's school of Allied Medical Professions.

Doug lives in Galloway with his daughter, Alyssa.

bob **sweeney** » SIXTH SEASON

ATHLETIC TRAINER



Bob Sweeney is in his 11th year at Ohio State as an athletic trainer and is in his sixth year with the football program, assisting head trainer Doug Calland.

Sweeney, who is in his 18th year as an athletic trainer, also oversees the graduate assistant and student athletic training staffs at the Woody Hayes Athletic Center. Additionally, he is a clinical and course instructor in the Athletic Training School in Ohio State's School of Allied Medical Professions.

Sweeney, a native of Steubenville, Ohio, received his bachelor's degree in education from Ohio State in 1992. As an undergraduate, he was a student athletic trainer for the football, hockey, men's gymnastics and men's tennis teams.

Following his graduation from Ohio State, Sweeney served as a graduate assistant at Kansas State, where he earned his master's degree in kinesiology in 1995. At Kansas State, he worked primarily with the football and baseball teams.

Sweeney was named assistant athletic trainer at the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1996. At Army, he was responsible for the care and rehabilitation of injuries for football and baseball.

Sweeney returned to Ohio State in 1998 as an assistant athletic trainer and worked with women's basketball, soccer and baseball and was responsible for the training staff in St. John Arena. He began working with the football team in 2002.

chris **kaeding** »FIFTH SEASON

HEAD TEAM PHYSICIAN AND DIRECTOR OF OSU SPORTS MEDICINE CENTER



Christopher Kaeding is in his fifth year in the dual role of Ohio State's head team physician and director of the OSU Sports Medicine Center. In that capacity, Kaeding oversees a program that combines the clinical care of the student-athlete with much broader research and educational programs designed to benefit the University and the entire community. In addition to the classic orthopaedic application of sports medicine, the Sports Medicine Center places an increased emphasis on a wide range of associated areas, giving Ohio State

one of the most comprehensive programs of its type in the country.

Kaeding, a native of Decatur, Ill., is a 1981 graduate of Northwestern University. He received his medical doctorate in 1983 and completed his residency in 1988, also at Northwestern.

Following his residency, Kaeding completed a sports medicine fellowship at the Cleveland Clinic in 1989. During his time at the Clinic, he worked with high school and collegiate teams as well as the Cleveland Browns, the Indians and the Cavaliers.

After a year in private practice, Kaeding moved to Columbus in January of 1991 and joined the sports medicine staff as an orthopedic consultant. He was named chief orthopedic consultant in 1993.

As head team physician at Ohio State, he oversees a staff of nine physicians, including three surgeons, and has primary responsibility for football.

Kaeding and his wife, Christine, have a daughter, Emily, and a son, John.



dr. jim **borchers** »FIFTH SEASON

TEAM PHYSICIAN



Former Buckeye Jim Borchers is in his fifth season as a team physician in the Ohio State football program. In addition to working with the football program, Borchers also provides medical treatment for student-athletes from men's and women's soccer, men's and women's lacrosse, men's and women's tennis, field hockey and softball.

A native of Bellbrook, Ohio, Borchers walked on with the Buckeyes and went earned four varsity awards as the regular long snapper between 1990 and 1993. He received

the Ike Kelley Special Teams Player of the Year Award in 1992. A four-year Academic All-Big Ten honoree and a four-year OSU Scholar-Athlete, he graduated from Ohio State in 1993 with a degree in chemistry. He earned his M.D. from Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine in 2000.

Borchers completed his residency in family medicine from Toledo Hospital in 2003 and his sports medicine fellowship from the Northwest Ohio Sports Medicine Institute in 2004.

Jim and his wife, Mary, have three children: Emily, William and Joseph.

dr. ray **pongonis** »11TH SEASON

TEAM PHYSICIAN



Ray Pongonis is in his 11th year as a team physician at Ohio State. His primary responsibilities with the Buckeyes are the sports of football and baseball, but he works with athletes in all 36 sports in the areas of muscular-skeletal medicine and manipulative therapy.

Pongonis is a native of Columbus and was an all-state selection in football and baseball at Watterson High School and received his bachelor's of science degree from Ohio State in 1975. He then attended Chicago College of

Osteopathic Medicine, receiving his D.O. degree in 1980. While at C.C.O.M., Pongonis did his fellowship training in muscular skeletal medicine and manipulative therapy, completing that training in 1980.

In 1981, Pongonis returned to Columbus to intern at Doctors Hospital. Following a one-year internship, he began a private practice in nearby Dublin. He joined the Ohio State staff in 1995.

Pongonis and his wife, Marilyn, have two children, Pogie and Katie.



steve **snapp** » 35TH SEASON

ASSOCIATE ATHLETICS DIRECTOR FOR BROADCASTING



Steve Snapp has been a member of the Ohio State Department of Athletics since July, 1973. He currently serves as associate athletics director for broadcasting and senior advisor to the director of athletics.

Snapp graduated from The Ohio State University in 1973 with a B. A. in journalism. As a senior, he worked as a student assistant in the sports information office. Snapp began his career with the athletics department in 1973 as assistant sports information director.

In 1978, he was named associate sports information director, a position he held until 1987 when he became just the fourth sports information director in Ohio State history. In 1998, Snapp was named director of external programs. He returned to the media relations field in 2000 as director of athletics communications. In 2003, he was named associate director of athletics for communications.

He was promoted to his present position in May, 2007. In addition to overseeing the newly created Big Ten Network and all aspects of television and radio broadcasting, Snapp is responsible for football scheduling and works closely with director of athletics Eugene Smith and head football coach Jim Tressel on football-related matters.

During his career, Snapp has worked more than 30 bowl games, has been to two Final Fours with the Buckeyes and has helped promote countless individual award winners, including four Heisman Trophy winners. Additionally, he initiated the jersey retirement system that is currently in place to recognize former Ohio State athletes. Snapp has won several national awards for his media guides and feature writing efforts.

A native of Sidney, Ohio, and a Marine Corps and Vietnam veteran, he received an Honorary Varsity "O" in 2001. He and his family live in Worthington.

dave **adolph** » THIRD SEASON

PROGRAM ASSISTANT



Dave Adolph has returned to Ohio State football to assist in the Buckeye strength program and in academic support. Formerly an assistant coach under Woody Hayes, Adolph has a lengthy resume in professional and college football.

Adolph returned to college coaching in 2004 as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at the University of San Diego following a 37-year coaching career that ended in January, 2000, when he retired from his post with the Kansas City Chiefs as assistant head coach/linebackers coach.

He spent 21 years in the NFL ranks, including two tours of duty with the Chiefs. He served as the team's defensive coordinator from 1992-1994 and worked as the club's assistant head coach/linebacker coach in 1999.

This respected defensive expert spent his entire pro coaching career (21 years) in the AFC, including 14 years as a defensive coordinator and 12 seasons in the AFC West, making 11 career playoff appearances. Prior to joining the Chiefs, Adolph spent two years ('97-98) as linebackers coach for the Oakland Raiders. He signed on with Oakland after a two-year stint ('95-96) as defensive coordinator for the San Diego Chargers. During his three-year tenure as Kansas City's defensive coordinator from '92-94, the Chiefs made three straight playoff appearances.

A native of Akron, Ohio, Adolph originally came to Kansas City after spending three seasons ('89-91) as defensive coordinator for the L.A. Raiders. He spent the '86-88 seasons as defensive coordinator of the Cleveland Browns. Adolph began his NFL career as the Browns defensive line coach in 1979. He took over the club's linebackers in '81 before assuming duties as defensive coordinator midway through the '84 season when Marty Schottenheimer was named head coach. He then spent one season ('85) as an assistant for San Diego before rejoining the Browns in '86.

On the collegiate level, Adolph worked with the legendary Woody Hayes at Ohio State from '77-78. He also coached at Illinois ('73-76), Kentucky ('69-72), Connecticut ('65-68) and his alma mater of Akron ('63-64). An all-conference guard and linebacker for the Zips, Adolph spent three years ('59-61) as a commissioned officer in the Air Force before beginning his coaching career at Cleveland's Shaw High School in '62. He has five children – Michael, Mark, Thomas, Shane and Heather – and 11 grandchildren.



deb **broeker** »SEVENTH SEASON

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE ASSOCIATE



Deb Broeker is in her 12th year with the Ohio State football program and in her seventh season as an assistant to head coach Jim Tressel. She coordinates the football office, organizes events such as the football appreciation banquet and other galas, and is the main contact for Tressel's speaking and charity requests.

Broeker has served Ohio State for more than 30 years, including 18 years in the development office. In 2008, she was just one of 12 employees campus-wide to receive the

Distinguished Staff Award, and the first athletic department representative to win that honor in the 12-year history of the award.

She lives in Grove City with her son, Sean, and two daughters, Paris and Sommer.

betty **affeldt** »35TH SEASON

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



Betty Affeldt has been a part of the Ohio State family for more than 34 years and a member of the department of athletics for the last 29 years. She provides expert administrative assistance to director of operations Bob Tucker and the assistant coaches. Affeldt also is a football clinic secretary and assists with the summer youth camp.

After beginning at the University in 1973, Affeldt joined Ohio State athletics in 1979 where she was the administrative assistant to the ticket director before joining the football

staff as an office associate in 1995.

Affeldt is a native of Georgia and a graduate of the University of Georgia with a degree in business administration. She has two sons, Andrew and Franz.

rob **lachey** »22ND SEASON

EQUIPMENT MANAGER



Rob Lachey is in his fifth year as the head equipment manager at Ohio State and 22nd year overall with the OSU equipment staff. Named to his present position in the summer of 2004, he oversees the equipment needs of all 36 men's and women's varsity sports at Ohio State, working most closely with the football program.

Lachey, a 1991 graduate of Ohio State with a bachelor's of science degree in human ecology, has been a member of the Ohio State equipment staff since 1986, when he began

working in the equipment room as a student assistant.

Following a brief stint in private business, which included a year as equipment manager for the Ohio Glory of the World Football League in 1992, Lachey returned to Ohio State in 1994 as assistant equipment manager. He held that position until being elevated to his present position following Danny Swain's retirement in December, 2003.

Lachey is responsible for the purchasing, stocking, transporting and maintenance of all athletics equipment while supervising full-time and student staff operating at several other athletics facilities on the Ohio State campus.

Lachey is a native of St. Henry, Ohio. His two brothers, Jim and Ron, both played football for the Buckeyes.

lewis **vanhoo**se »FIFTH SEASON

EQUIPMENT MANAGER



Lewis VanHoose, in his fifth season with the Buckeyes, handles all equipment needs for the football program, working closely with head equipment manager Rob Lachey. VanHoose coordinates all day-to-day operations at the Woody Hayes Athletic Center, as well as setting up for home games and packing for road games.

A native of West Liberty, Ohio, VanHoose is a 1992 graduate of West Liberty Salem High School, and a 1996 graduate of the University of Dubuque in Dubuque, Iowa, with a bachelor's degree in history and speech communication.

During his 12-year career as an equipment manager, VanHoose has served as the head equipment manager at Louisiana Tech (1997-2001) and Eastern Michigan (2001-04). He has also served training camp internships with the NFL's San Diego Chargers (1993, 1994 and Super Bowl XXIX), Washington Redskins (1995) and Miami Dolphins (1996).



shelly **poe** »SECOND SEASON

COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS



Shelly Poe is responsible for handling the communications and public relations for Ohio State football. She serves as chief liaison with the media and coordinates media operations for home football games at Ohio Stadium.

Poe came to Ohio State in July, 2007, after a lengthy career at West Virginia University, where she worked with 14 bowl teams, nine consensus All-Americans, finalists for the Heisman Trophy, Rimington, Outland, Doak Walker, Lombardi, Butkus and Nagurski awards, 47 NFL draft picks and 78 all-BIG EAST selections.

Poe joined the WVU athletic staff as assistant sports information director in 1985 after working four years as an undergraduate in the sports information office. She was named sports information director in April, 1988, the youngest person and only female at that time to head the SID office of a I-A football school.

In 2006, Poe was the first-ever WVU publicist (and only the third from the Big East) inducted into the College Sports Information Directors of America Hall of Fame. She was a member of that organization's national board of directors from 1999-2003, and has received 13 national and district CoSIDA citations for writing excellence. She currently serves on the BIG EAST scholar-athlete selection committee and as a district screener for the College Football Hall of Fame.

A former president of the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association, she served as official scorer for the women's Final Four in Charlotte in 1995 and chief press officer for shooting sports at the 1987 Pan American Games in Indianapolis.

A native of Morgantown, W.Va., and National Merit Scholar, she received her bachelor's degree in journalism from WVU in 1985, graduating magna cum laude as one of the first class of University Honors Scholars. Poe was recognized in 2006 as one of the National Merit Scholarship 25-year alumni of distinction in that group's annual report. She has authored four books.





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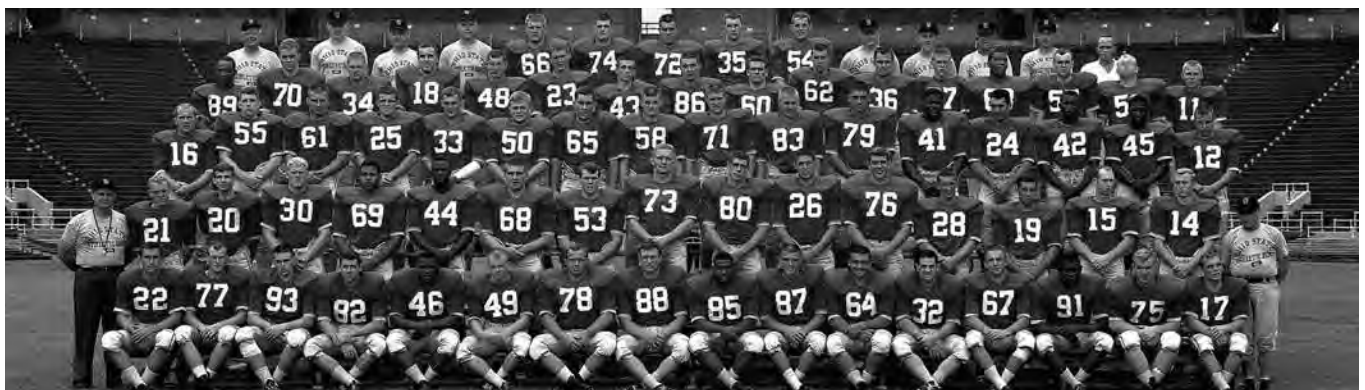
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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS – UPI AND FOOTBALL WRITERS; WON 9, LOST 1 **Front Row:** Bellisari, Schultz, Kilgore, J. Jones, Cowans, Bram, Fontes, Via, Wentz, Fields, Seilkop, Zuhars, Arnold, Lemon, Crowl, Ballmer. **Second Row:** Hess, Carr, Nagy, Disher, Beerman, Cook, H. Jones, Cannavino, Jobko, Martin, Cisco, Brown, Sutherin, Thomas, Trivisonno, Zawacki, T. Crawford, Baldacci, Provenza, Breehl, Dillman, Weaver. **Third Row:** Hayes (Head Coach), Dresser, Okulovich, Marshall, Houston, White, Schram, Schenking, Schafrath, Spychalski, James, A. Crawford, Clark, Kremblas, Bowermaster, Morgan, Fronk, Wagner, Robinson, Ballenger, LeBeau, Godfrey, Strobel. **Fourth Row:** Rush, Fekete, Sarkkinen, Adulewicz, Walsh, Gage, Bailey, Lord, McMurry, Michael, Wilson, Rowland, Craig, Samuels, Herrman, Matz, Bryant, Kreakbaum, Moran, Anders, Clark.

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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS – FOOTBALL WRITERS; WON 8, LOST 0, TIED 1 **Front Row:** Wallace, Connor, Clotz, Wittmer, Ferguson, Houck, Tolford, Bryant, Tidmore, Perdue, Ingram, Detrick, Stephens, Martin, Roberts, H. Lambert. **Second Row:** Hayes (Head Coach), Johnson, B. Jones, Katterhenrich, Foster, Ulmer, Moeller, Armstrong, Vogel, Middleton, Mrukowski, Sanders, Hess, Klein, Hardman, Haupt, Godfrey. **Third Row:** Tingley, Betz, Krstolic, Mummey, Francis, Vanscoy, Jenkins, Fronk, Bearss, Ricketts, Mamula, Snell, Sparna, Warfield, W. Jones, Bruney. **Fourth Row:** Rayford, Laskowski, Butts, Baffer, Kumlir, Lister, Mangiamelle, VanRaaphorst, Mirick, Hullinger, Lyons, Marnie, Parker, R. Carter, Zima, Fortney. **Fifth Row:** Strobel, Fiers, Gunlock, Sarkkinen, Sunderhaus, Unger, Stanley, Hall, D. Carter, Schembechler, Herbstreit, Clark, Wentz, Biggs.

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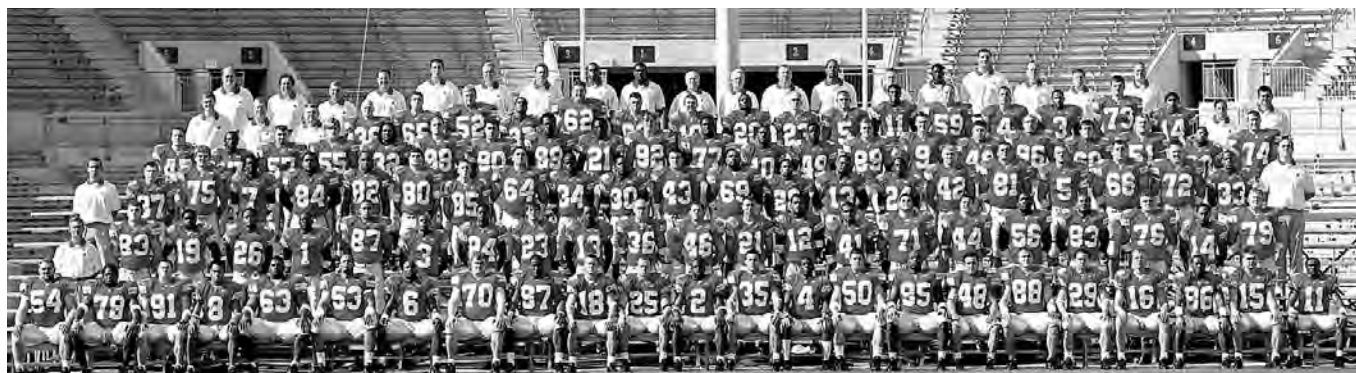
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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS – NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION; WON 9, LOST 1 **Front Row:** Kuhn, Tatum, Zelina, Anderson, Sensibaugh, Jankowski, Cheney, Maciejowski, Kern, Stillwagon, White, Adams, Hayden, Strickland, Donovan, Debevc, Brockington. **Second Row:** Hayes (Head Coach), Gentile, Simon, Troha, Oppermann, King, Dale, Marsh, Smith, Coburn, Waugh, Wright, Burrows, Harman, J. Conroy, Holloway, Harris. **Third Row:** Givens, Long, Mountz, Vecanski, Wakefield, Lamka, Cappell, Houser, S. White, Campana, DeLeone, Howard, Mason, Sapanaro, Luttner, Conley. **Fourth Row:** Battista, Lago, Hasenohrl, Jones, Moore, Brown, Graf, Pisanelli, Scannell, Seifert, Sloan, Schram, Kinsey, Rabatin, Ferko. **Fifth Row:** Zuene, Galbos, Zetts, Williams, Beecroft, Nixon, Pitstick, Doll, Cummings, Andralis, Cowman, Lucki, Belgrave, Bonica. **Sixth Row:** R. Conroy, Sivinski, Dixon, Strong, Hicks, Wersel, Breuleux, Teague, Hughes, Fletcher, Bledsoe, Baxa, Rice. **Seventh Row:** Steel, Chaump, Staub, Sarkinen, Walker, Bruce, McCullough, Hubbard, McClain, Mummy.

2002



NATIONAL CHAMPIONS – CONSENSUS; WON 14, LOST 0

Front Row (l-r): 54 Tim Anderson, 78 Bryce Bishop, 91 Jason Bond, 8 Drew Carter, 63 Adrien Clarke, 53 Ivan Douglas, 6 Cie Grant, 70 Scott Kuhnhein, 97 Kenny Peterson, 18 Andy Groom, 25 Donnie Nickey, 2 Mike Doss, 35 Matt Wilhelm, 4 Chris Vance, 50 Michael Stafford, 95 David Thompson, 48 Jack Tucker, 88 Ben Hartsock, 29 Jesse Kline, 16 Craig Krenzle, 86 Maurice Lee, 15 Scott McMullen, 11 Richard McNutt. **Second Row:** Jim Tressel, 83 Redgie Arden, 19 LeAndre Boone, 26 Will Allen, 1 Bobby Britton, 87 Jason Caldwell, 3 Bam Childress, 84 John Hollins, 23 Josh Huston, 13 Harlen Jacobs, 36 Pat O'Neill, 46 Fred Pagac, 21 B.J. Sander, 12 Michael Jenkins, 41 Thomas Matthews, 71 Shane Olivea, 44 Robert Reynolds, 56 Darrion Scott, 93 Will Smith, 76 Alex Stepanovich, 14 Angelo Chattams, 79 Ryan Cook. **Third Row:** Kevin Groom, 37 Dustin Fox, 75 Simon Fraser, 7 Chris Gamble, 94 Marcus Green, 82 Roy Hall, 80 Ryan Hamby, 85 Mike Nugent, 64 Adam Olds, 34 JaJa Riley, 30 Lydell Ross, 43 Brandon Schnitker, 69 Andree Tyree, 28 Maurice Hall, 13 Maurice Claret, 24 Mike Roberts, 42 Bobby Carpenter, 81 R.J. Coleman, 5 Mike D'Andrea, 66 Doug Datish, 72 T.J. Downing, 33 Tyler Everett, Pat Fuller. **Fourth Row:** 47 A.J. Hawk, 17 Santonio Holmes, 57 Mike Kudla, 55 Nick Mangold, 32 Brandon Mitchell, 98 Joel Penton, 90 Quinn Pitcock, 99 Jay Richardson, 21 Nate Salley, 92 Tim Schafer, 77 Rob Sims, 10 Troy Smith, 49 E.J. Underwood, 89 Stan White, Jr., 9 Justin Zwick, 49 John Adams, 96 David Andrews, 60 Kyle Andrews, 51 Mike Bogart, 20 Chris Conwell, 74 Bryce Culver. **Fifth Row:** Chris Kaeding, Ray Pongonis, John Lombardo, 36 Michael DeMaria, 65 Steve Graef, 52 Mike Kne, 37 Jamal Luke, 62 John McLaughlin, 62 Jeremy Miller, 18 Jim Otis, 20 Roshawn Parker, 23 Scott Petroff, 5 Jeremy Uhlenhake, 11 Mike Young, 59 John Conroy, 4 Rob Harley, 3 Steven Moore, 73 Steve Winner, 14 Antonio Smith, Bob Sweeney, Doug Calland. **Sixth Row:** Jim Bollman, Bill Conley, Joe Daniels, Mark Dantonio, Luke Fickell, Jim Heacock, Mark Snyder, Tim Spencer, Mel Tucker, Bob Tucker, Dick Tressel, Allan Johnson, Bernardo Amerson, John Hill, Sori Kanu, Mark Staten, Jeff Ryan, Mike Tressel, Mark Quisenberry. Not pictured: 38 Branden Joe, 58 Joe Bradley.

[OHIO STATE] bowl games



2008



2004

» Ohio State is one of only nine schools that have won each of the four "original" New Year's Day bowl games. (Cotton, Orange, Rose, Sugar)



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/7/ heisman TROPHY WINNERS

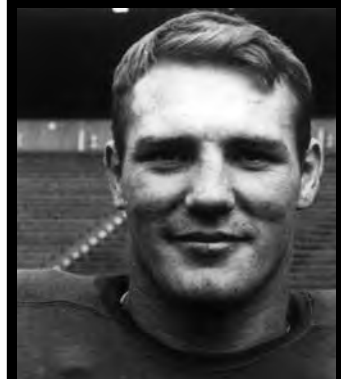
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1944
Les Horvath



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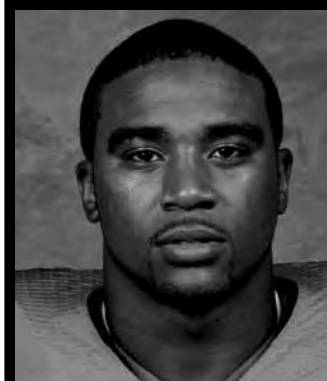
1955
Howard "Hopalong" Cassady



1974, 1975
Archie Griffin



1995
Eddie George



2006
Troy Smith



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lombardi award winners



WINNERS

Jim Stillwagon, 1970
John Hicks, 1973
Chris Spielman, 1987
Orlando Pace, 1995, 1996
A.J. Hawk, 2005

SEMIFINALISTS

Randy Gradishar, 1973
Pete Cusick, 1974
Chris Spielman, 1986
Andy Katzenmoyer, 1997, 1998
Quinn Pitcock, 2006
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outland trophy winners

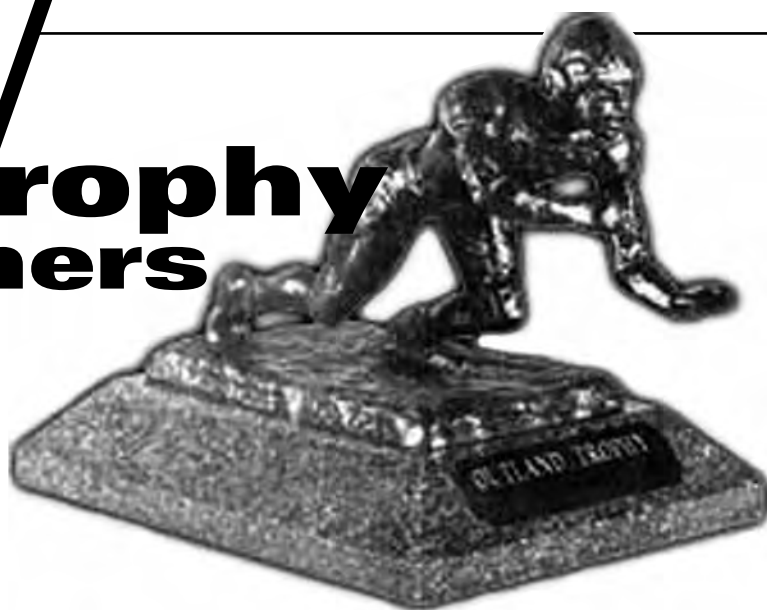
WINNERS

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Jim Stillwagon, 1970

Jim Parker, 1956



[major award winners]



BUTKUS AWARD

Andy Katzenmoyer, 1997
James Laurinaitis, 2007



THORPE AWARD

Antoine Winfield, 1998



BILETNIKOFF AWARD

Terry Glenn, 1995

FINALISTS

A.J. Hawk, 2005
Chris Spielman, 1986, 1987
James Laurinaitis, 2006



173 All-Time All Americans



RIMINGTON AWARD

LeCharles Bentley, 2001

FINALISTS

Doug Datish, 2006
Nick Mangold, 2005



RAY GUY AWARD

B.J. Sander, 2003



LOU GROZA AWARD

Mike Nugent, 2004

FINALISTS

Mike Nugent, 2002

[major award winners]



DAVEY O'BRIEN AWARD

Troy Smith, 2006



WALTER CAMP AWARD

Troy Smith, 2006
Eddie George, 1995



BRONKO NAGURSKI AWARD

James Laurinaitis, 2006

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James Laurinaitis, 2007

[BUCKEYES IN] the spotlight



BUCKEYES IN BROADCASTING

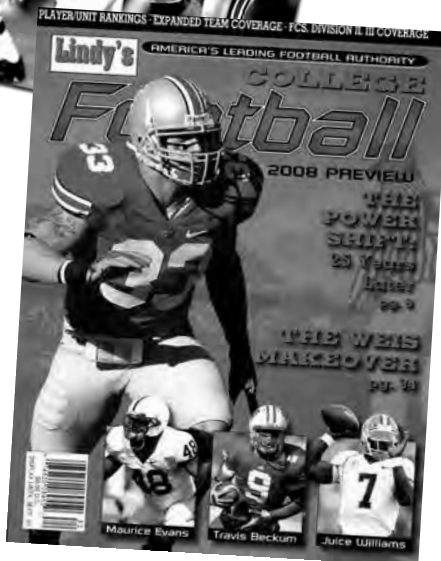
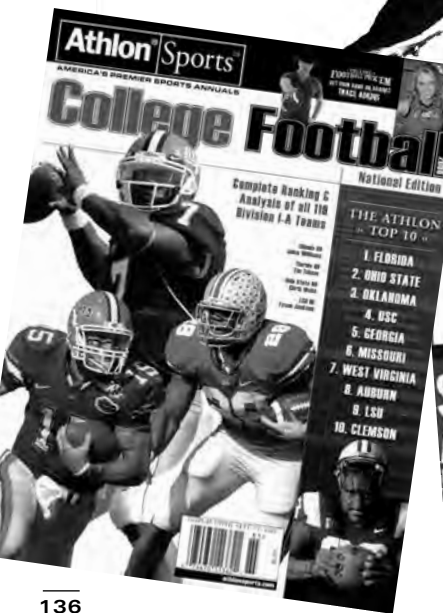
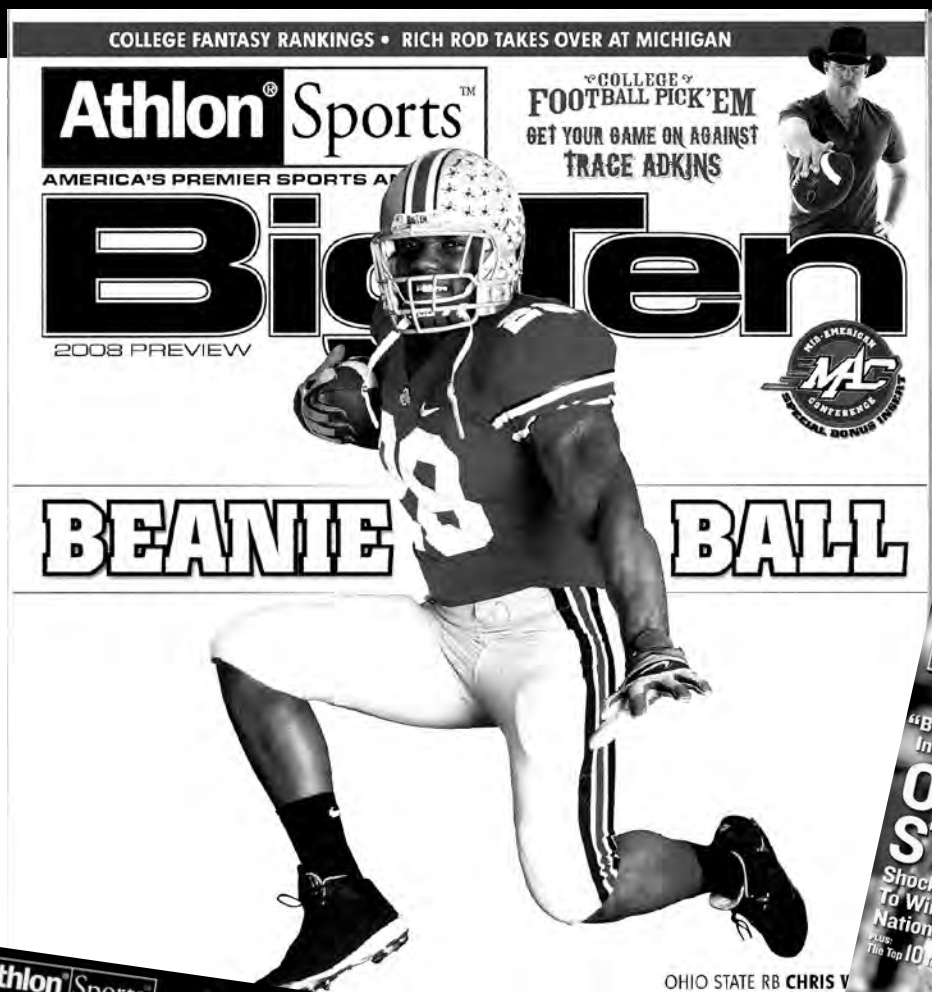
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Joe Montgomery.....	1996-1998
Dave Purdy	1972-1974
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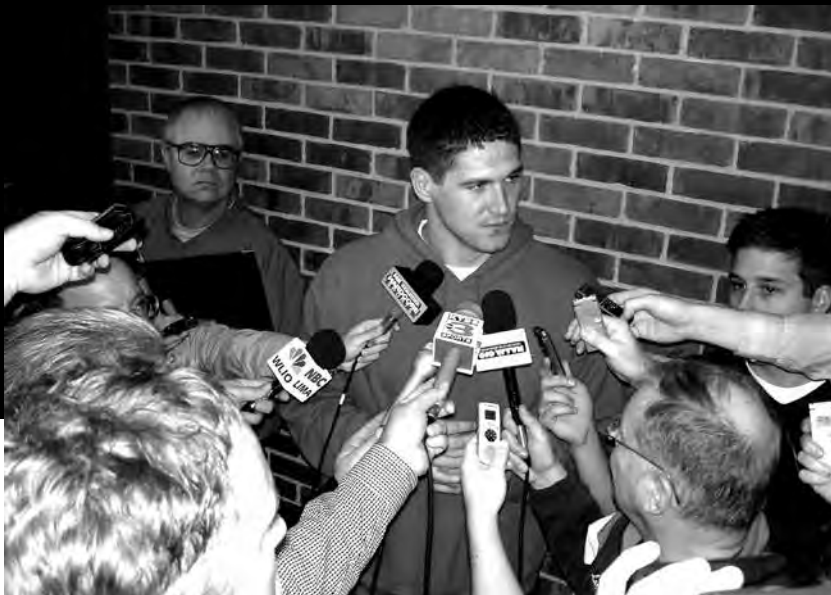


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[MEDIA] exposure





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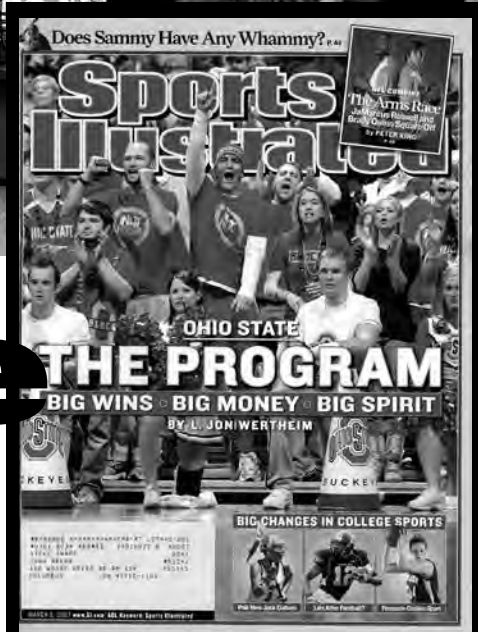


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A 14-page spread in the March 5, 2007 *Sports Illustrated* issue defined the Ohio State Department of Athletics as **"the standard against which all other schools are judged."**

GAMEDAY APPEARANCES

1996

9/28	OSU @ Notre Dame
10/5	Penn State @ OSU
10/26	OSU @ Iowa

1997

10/4	Iowa @ OSU
11/22	OSU @ Michigan

1998

10/3	Penn State @ OSU
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2002

9/14	Washington St @ OSU
11/23	Michigan @ OSU
1/3/03	Miami vs. OSU

2003

8/30	Washington @ OSU
11/15	Purdue @ OSU

2005

9/10	Texas @ OSU
10/8	OSU @ Penn State

2006

9/9	OSU @ Texas
9/23	Penn State @ OSU
9/30	OSU @ Iowa
11/18	Michigan @ OSU
1/7/07	Florida vs. OSU

2007

10/27	OSU @ Penn State
11/17	OSU @ Michigan
1/7/08	OSU vs. LSU





[OHIO STATE] pro day







[BUCKEYES IN THE] NFL

>> With Vernon Gholston's selection at No. 6 by the New York Jets, Ohio State has the **most first round NFL draft picks** of any school in the Big Ten.





BUFFALO BILLS

Dustin Fox
Donte Whitner



MIAMI DOLPHINS

Ted Ginn, Jr.



**NEW ENGLAND
PATRIOTS**

Mike Vrabel



NEW YORK JETS

Vernon Gholston
Nick Mangold
Mike Nugent



**BALTIMORE
RAVENS**

Adrien Clarke
Troy Smith

[BUCKEYES IN THE]
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CINCINNATI BENGALS

Tyler Whaley



CLEVELAND BROWNS

Lecharles Bentley



PITTSBURGH STEELERS

Santonio Holmes



ARIZONA CARDINALS

Dionte Johnson



HOUSTON TEXANS

Brandon Mitchell



BUCKEYES IN THE PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME

Players	Position	Professional Teams	Year(s) at OSU
Paul Brown	Coach	Cleveland Browns	1941-43
Sid Gilman	Coach	Los Angeles Rams, San Diego Chargers, Houston Oilers ..	1938-40
Lou Groza	Offensive Tackle, Kicker	Cleveland Browns	1943
Dante Lavelli	End	Cleveland Browns	1942
Jim Parker	Guard-Tackle	Baltimore Colts	1954-56
Paul Warfield	Receiver	Miami Dolphins, Cleveland Browns	1961-63
Bill Willis	Middle Guard	Cleveland Browns	1942-44

Photos courtesy of the Pro Football Hall of Fame.





**INDIANAPOLIS
COLTS**

Anthony Gonzalez
Roy Hall
Quinn Pitcock
Antonio Smith



TENNESSEE TITANS

Donnie Nicky



DENVER BRONCOS

Kenny Peterson



OAKLAND RAIDERS

Drew Carter
Jay Richardson



**SAN DIEGO
CHARGERS**

Matt Wilhelm

[BUCKEYES IN THE]
NFL





DALLAS COWBOYS

Bobby Carpenter
Tyler Everett
Terry Glenn



PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

Bam Childress



SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

Rob Sims



TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS

Will Allen
Joey Galloway



SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

Nate Clements
Larry Grant





**WASHINGTON
REDSKINS**

Shawn Springs



CHICAGO BEARS

Kirk Barton



**GREEN BAY
PACKERS**

A.J. Hawk
Ryan Pickett



**MINNESOTA
VIKINGS**

Antoine Winfield



ATLANTA FALCONS

Tim Anderson
Doug Datish
Simon Frasier
Ben Hartsock
Michael Jenkins
David Patterson
Alex Stepanovich

[BUCKEYES IN THE]
NFL





CAROLINA PANTHERS

Na'il Diggs
Chris Gamble
Nate Salley



NEW ORLEANS SAINTS

Kevin Houser
Will Smith



ST. LOUIS RAMS

Orlando Pace
Antonio Pittman





For 28 years he was the **heart and soul** of Ohio State football.

A worshipper of tough men, he preached self-reliance, education and that the more you give, the more you get in return. He took the Buckeyes to heights never before achieved in the school's rich football history and touched countless lives along the way.

[OHIO STATE] legends



Woody Hayes at Ohio State

Won five national titles (1970, 1968, 1961, 1957 and 1954)

Won 13 Big Ten championships

Won 205 overall and 152 conference games

Led Ohio State to 11 bowl games (eight Rose Bowls)

Took Ohio State to four consecutive Rose Bowls (1972-75)

Produced 56 first team All-Americans

Coached three Heisman Trophy and three Outland Trophy winners

Coached two Lombardi Award winners

woody hayes

HEAD COACH, 1951-1978

Between 1951 and 1978, while Woody Hayes stalked the Ohio Stadium sidelines, the Buckeyes won five national titles (narrowly missing four others), captured 13 Big Ten crowns and won 205 games, including 152 conference games. Twice, the Buckeyes won a conference-record 17 consecutive league games.

Under Hayes, the Buckeyes played in 11 bowl games, including eight Rose Bowls. Ohio State is the only Big Ten school to play in four consecutive Rose Bowls, traveling to Pasadena following the 1972, '73, '74 and '75 seasons.

Under Hayes' guidance, 56 different Ohio State players garnered first team All-America honors. He coached three Heisman Trophy winners, three Outland Trophy recipients and two Lombardi Award honorees.

Four of Hayes' teams notched unbeaten records and five others suffered just one loss. Between 1968 and 1970, the Buckeyes were 27-2 and won three Big Ten titles. From 1972 to 1977, OSU reeled off six consecutive league championships and fashioned a combined record of 49-8.

The list of former Hayes assistants includes Bill Mallory, Glen Mason, Gary Moeller, Lou Holtz, Bo Schembechler, Earle Bruce and Joe Bugel, just to name a few.

Hayes recorded a lifetime record of 238-72-10. During his stay with the Buckeyes, Hayes twice won National Coach of the Year honors. During the Hayes era, the Buckeyes led the nation in attendance 21 times and finished second the other seven years.

Hayes, who grew up in Newcomerstown, Ohio, graduated from Denison in 1935. He spent his entire coaching career within the state of Ohio, coaching at Denison for three years and at Miami (Ohio) for two.

Hayes was a noted historian with a passion for military history. He held the rank of associate professor at Ohio State and took great pride in being able to teach during the off-season. He was as proud of his players' high graduation rate as he was of their success on the football field.

Wayne Woodrow "Woody" Hayes was born Feb. 14, 1913, in Clifton, Ohio. He died March 12, 1987, but his influence still lives through the many thousands of people he touched during his 28 years at Ohio State. Woody Hayes holds a special place in college football history.



paul brown

HEAD COACH, 1941-1943

High school teacher, coach, college coach, professional football innovator... Paul Brown excelled at all tasks and ventures. Brown is considered by many to be the "father of the modern offense" and was highly acclaimed for his many ideas on planning and organization that changed the game of football.

With avid support from many influential groups, including the Ohio High School Football Coaches Association, Brown came from Massillon High School to become head coach at Ohio State Jan. 14, 1941. Under Brown, the Buckeyes went 18-8-1 and were known for their speed, intelligence and love of contact.

In his first season at the helm at OSU, Brown went 6-1-1, losing to an Otto Graham-led Northwestern and tying Michigan. The Buckeyes tied for second place in the Western Conference and finished 13th in the AP poll. The next year, 1942, despite lettermen to graduation or military service in World War II, Brown led the Buckeyes to Ohio State's first national championship using a team of three seniors, 16 juniors and 24 sophomores.

Following military service, Brown became the first head coach of the Cleveland Browns and also the Cincinnati Bengals. He won four AAFC championships and three NFL championships with the Browns, and was named professional coach of the year six times.

Born in Norwalk, Ohio, Brown grew up in Massillon. He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1967 and the Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame in 1991. He passed away in August, 1991, but forever left his influence on the game of football throughout Ohio and far beyond.



archie griffin

1974, 1975 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER

In 1974, Ohio State tailback Archie Griffin became just the fifth junior ever to win the Heisman Trophy. In 1975, Griffin became the first player ever to win a second Heisman. He is still the only player to have two of the coveted bronze statues, which go annually to the nation's top college football player.

But though more than three decades have passed, honors continue to befall Griffin, now president of the Ohio State Alumni Association.

Griffin was selected to the National High School Hall of Fame in 1996. He also is a member of the National Football Foundation and the Rose Bowl halls of fame and, of course, belongs to the Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame.

Following his senior year, Griffin, who graduated a quarter early with a degree in industrial relations, received the NCAA's prestigious Top Five Award for combined excellence in athletics, academics and leadership.

After graduation, Griffin was a first-round draft choice of the Cincinnati Bengals. He played eight years of professional football before returning to Columbus and joining the staff at Ohio State.

His jersey number "45" was retired Sept. 30, 1999.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 1972: Set a then OSU single-game rushing record with 239 yards against North Carolina. Rushed for 867 yards during the year, then a freshman record.
- 1973: Became the first OSU sophomore to rush for 1,000 yards (1,577) and was named to a first-team spot on the UPI All-America team. Winner of the Chicago Tribune's Silver Football as the Big Ten Player of the Year.
- 1974: Rushed for a then-school record 1,695 yards and was a unanimous All-America choice. Won the Heisman Trophy, a second-consecutive Silver Football and was the UPI and Walter Camp player of the year.
- 1975: Made college football history by winning his second Heisman Trophy. Again chosen by UPI and Walter Camp as Player of the Year. A consensus All-America selection.
- NCAA records for 100-yard games (33) and consecutive 100-yard games (31)
- NCAA record for most average yards per carry-6.13
- Fifth in NCAA rushing annals with 5,177 yards
- The only player to lead OSU in rushing four consecutive years
- The only player to start four Rose Bowl games
- Ohio State's career-rushing leader with 5,589 yards
- Member of the Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame
- Member of the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame
- Member of the Rose Bowl Hall of Fame
- Member of the National High School Hall of Fame

GRIFFIN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Rushing				Receiving				
	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Points
1972	159	867	5.4	3	6	71	11.8	0	18
1973	257	1,577	6.3	7	5	32	6.4	1	54
1974	256	1,695	6.6	12	5	77	15.4	0	72
1975	262	1,450	5.5	4	14	170	12.1	0	24
TOTAL	924	5,589	6.0	26	30	350	11.7	1	168



les horvath

1944 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER

In 1944, Les Horvath made Ohio State history by becoming the school's first Heisman Trophy winner. With Horvath at the controls, the Buckeyes posted a perfect 9-0 record and won the Big Ten championship. In addition to leading the Big Ten in rushing (669 yards) and total offense (953 yards), the Parma, Ohio, native accounted for 1,248 all-purpose yards.

Horvath, who played both quarterback and halfback on offense and safety on defense, was the Big Ten's MVP in 1944.

Ironically, Horvath almost didn't play in 1944. After helping lead the 1942 Buckeyes to a 9-1 record and the school's first national championship, Horvath entered dental school at Ohio State and did not play in 1943. But when Coach Carroll Widdoes went to him prior to the 1944 season, the 23-year-old Horvath, who had an extra year because of wartime rules, agreed to return to the gridiron.

"At first I wasn't sure I wanted to play," said Horvath on one of his last visits to Columbus. "Dental school was quite taxing. But Coach Widdoes said I wouldn't have to practice all the time and agreed to fly me to the games, both of which gave me more time to study."

Horvath is the only Heisman winner who did not play the previous season. The layoff obviously did not bother him. He set a Big Ten rushing record in his final year.

Horvath, who finished his Ohio State career with 2,055 yards of total offense, went on to play professional football with the Los Angeles Rams and Cleveland Browns. Following his professional career, he returned to Los Angeles and practiced dentistry.

Horvath, who died in November of 1995, is a member of the College Football Hall of Fame (1969) and the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame (1977). His jersey number "22" was retired Oct. 6, 2001.

HORVATH'S 1944 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Result	Score	Rushing			Receiving			Passing	
				Att.	Net	TDs	No.	Yds.	TDs	Att.-Comp.	Yds.-TDs
Sept. 30	Missouri	W	54-0	11	121	1	0	0	0		4-0-0-0
Oct. 7	Iowa	W	34-0	16	121	1	6	0	0		1-0-0-0
Oct. 14	at Wisconsin	W	20-7	24	141	1	0	0	0		4-2-14-0
Oct. 21	Great Lakes	W	26-6	22	91	2	0	0	0		2-1-24-0
Nov. 28	at Minnesota	W	34-14	11	90	2	0	0	0		2-2-113-0
Nov. 4	at Indiana	W	21-7	21	115	4	0	0	0		8-5-104-0
Nov. 11	Pittsburgh	W	54-19	3	24	1	0	0	0		1-1-32-0
Nov. 18	vs. Illinois	W	26-12								
Nov. 25	Michigan	W	18-14	33	104	2	0	0	0		3-0-0-0

[OHIO STATE] legends



howard cassady

1955 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER

It didn't take Ohio State fans long to realize why Howard "Hopalong" Cassady was something special. In his first collegiate game, the season opener against Indiana in 1952, the 150-pound freshman came off the bench to score three touchdowns and lead the Buckeyes to a 33-13 victory. From then on, "Hop" was a regular in the OSU lineup, playing in 36 of a possible 37 games and leading the Buckeyes to a combined record of 29-8 during the next four years.

In 1954, Cassady won unanimous All-America honors and helped the Buckeyes to a perfect 10-0 record and the first of five national championships for Coach Woody Hayes. The 1954 season concluded with a convincing 20-7 win over Southern Cal in the Rose Bowl.

Cassady again won All-America acclaim in 1955, when he rushed for 958 yards and 15 touchdowns. At the end of the year, Cassady's list of accolades included the Heisman Trophy and recognition by the Associated Press as the 1955 Athlete of the Year.

Cassady, who also was an outstanding defensive back, finished his collegiate career with 2,466 rushing yards. That total still ranks 11th on the all-time OSU rushing list.

Cassady, who prepped at Columbus Central and as a boy would sneak into Ohio Stadium to see the Buckeyes play, also played baseball at OSU, starting at shortstop for three years. He is a member of the Ohio State University Athletics (1997), College Football (1979) and Columbus Baseball (2005) halls of fame.

After graduation, Cassady was a first round pick of the Detroit Lions. He played defensive back with Detroit, Cleveland and Philadelphia before retiring.

"Hop" lives in Tampa, but spent many summers in Columbus as a coach for the Columbus Clippers, the Yankees' AAA farm club. His jersey number "40" was retired Nov. 18, 2000.

CASSADY'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Rushing				Receiving				Points
	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs	
1952	65	293	4.5	4	13	192	14.8	2	32
1953	86	514	5.9	6	16	273	17.1	2	48
1954	123	701	5.7	6	13	148	11.4	0	36
1955	161	958	5.8	15	1	6	6.0	0	84
TOTAL	435	2,466	5.7	31	43	619	14.4	4	200

vic janowicz

1950 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER

How good was Vic Janowicz? Good enough to win the 1950 Heisman Trophy as a junior on a team that posted a modest 6-3 record. And good enough that to this day most historians consider him among the greatest athletes ever to play football at Ohio State.

Rich, but deserved, praise for Janowicz, who, in addition to being a triple threat on offense, also played safety on defense.

In the words of his former coach, Wesley Fesler: "Vic excelled in every phase of the game. He not only was a great runner, passer and blocker, he also did all of our kicking, including punting, field goals, quick kicks, kickoffs and extra points. He was one of the finest, most versatile athletes I have ever seen."

Janowicz enjoyed his finest year in 1950, accounting for 16 touchdowns and 875 yards in total offense. The Elyria, Ohio, native also led the Buckeyes in scoring with 65 points. In an 83-21 win over Iowa, he ran for two touchdowns, passed for four more and set a Big Ten record with 10 extra points. He completed five of six passes for 128 yards against the Hawkeyes.

Perhaps even more remarkable was a 27-yard field goal against Michigan in the now famous 1950 Snow Bowl. That kick, into a driving snow storm with the goal post barely visible, is one of the greatest individual accomplishments in Ohio State sports history.

Janowicz, who was a consensus All-American in 1950, also set two more records in the Snow Bowl, punting 21 times for 685 yards.

After graduation, Janowicz played two years of professional baseball with the Pittsburgh Pirates, even though he had been away from the game nearly six years. He returned to football in 1954, signing with the Washington Redskins and winning the starting job at halfback as a rookie. In 1955, Janowicz barely missed out on the NFL scoring title, losing the crown on the last day of the season. His pro career was cut short the following fall, when he was involved in a near fatal car accident that left him unconscious for 30 days.

A member of the College Football Hall of Fame (1976) and the Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame (1977), Janowicz died in February of 1996. His jersey number, "31" was retired Sept. 23, 2000.

JANOWICZ'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Rushing				No.	Receiving			Passing		
	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs		Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Att.-Comp.	Yds.-TDs	
1949	30	112	3.7	1	1	24	24.0	0		4-2-50-0	
1950	114	314	2.8	4	1	17	17.0	0		77-32-561-12	
1951	106	376	3.5	1	7	126	18.0	0		25-7-74-2	
TOTAL	250	802	3.2	6	9	167	18.6	0		106-41-685-14	



eddie george

1995 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER

At the start of the 1995 season, Eddie George was, at best, a long-shot contender for the Heisman Trophy. By season's end, he was a runaway choice, easily outdistancing runner-up Tommy Frazier of Nebraska for college football's most coveted award.

As Ohio State's sixth Heisman recipient, George rushed for a school-record 1,927 yards and 24 touchdowns. Included in that yardage total were three 200-yard games, one of which was an Ohio State record 314 yards against Illinois Nov. 11, 1995.

George's other honors in 1995 included the Doak Walker Award, the Maxwell Award, the Walter Camp Player of the Year Award and Big Ten MVP. He also was a team co-captain.

George, who attended Abington (Pa.) High School and then Fork Union Military Academy, played only sparingly his first two years at Ohio State. Given the chance to start, he rushed for 1,442 yards as a junior and completed his career as the second leading rusher in Ohio State history with 3,668 yards.

Selected by the Houston Oilers in the first round of the NFL Draft, he was the 1996 NFL Rookie of the Year and played nine years of professional football, earning four Pro Bowl berths.

In June of 2001, Eddie earned a bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from Ohio State. He was a 2006 inductee into the Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame. His jersey number "27" was retired Nov. 10, 2001.

GEORGE'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Rushing				No.	Receiving			Points
	Att.	Net	Avg.	TDs		Yds.	Avg.	TDs	
1992	37	176	4.8	5	0	0	0	0	30
1993	42	223	5.3	3	0	0	0	0	18
1994	276	1,442	5.2	12	16	117	7.3	0	72
1995	328	1,927	5.9	24	47	417	8.9	1	150
TOTAL	683	3,768	5.5	44	63	534	8.5	1	270





troy smith

2006 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER

Troy Smith may not have been Ohio State's star recruit in the spring of 2002, but by the end of the 2006 football season there were few Buckeyes, past or present, with a brighter aura.

A standout quarterback at Cleveland Glenville High School, the 6-0 Smith was renowned for his athletic ability and mental toughness. But his lack of size was a concern for some college recruiters.

Not so for Ohio State head coach Jim Tressel.

"The one thing I knew for sure after seeing Troy play in high school was that I wanted him on our team," Tressel said. "There was something special about the way he carried himself.

"I didn't know if he was going to play quarterback or some other position, but I knew I wanted him on our side."

A gifted runner and passer, Smith was redshirted as a freshman in 2002 and saw limited action the following year, appearing in 10 games at slash back and returning kickoffs.

TROY SMITH CAREER STATISTICS

RUSHING	G	Att	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/C	Avg/G
2003	10	3	14	0	8	4.7	1.4
2004	8	82	339	2	46	4.1	42.4
2005	11	136	611	11	28	4.5	55.5
2006	13	72	204	1	34	2.8	15.7
TOTAL	42	293	1168	14	46	4.0	27.8

PASSING	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Yds	TD	Lg	Pct	Avg/P	Avg/G	Effic
2003	10	0-0-0			0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2004	8	122-68-3			896	8	68	55.7	7.3	112.0	134.2
2005	11	237-149-4			2282	16	85	62.9	9.6	207.5	162.7
2006	13	311-203-6			2542	30	58	65.3	8.2	195.5	161.9
TOTAL	42	670-420-13			5720	54	85	62.7	8.5	136.2	157.1

The talented sophomore broke into the 2004 starting lineup in week seven and led the Buckeyes to a 4-1 record down the stretch, including a 37-21 win over Michigan in which he accounted for three touchdowns and 386 yards in total offense.

In 2005, Smith guided the Buckeyes to a 10-2 record that included a thrilling come-from-behind victory at Michigan and a decisive win over Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl. Smith threw for 16 touchdowns and rushed for 11 more in his first full season as a starter.

But the Cleveland native saved his best for last, piloting the No. 1 ranked Buckeyes to a 12-0 regular season record and a spot in the national championship game as a senior in 2006. With one remarkable performance after another, he threw for a school single-season record 30 touchdowns and became just the second quarterback in Ohio State history to post a 3-0 record against Michigan as a starter. In a see-saw 42-39 win over the Wolverines, Smith threw four touchdown passes and topped the 300-yard mark in total offense for the third consecutive year.

Following the regular season, the consensus All-American was a landslide winner in the Heisman Trophy voting, recording the second largest margin of victory ever in the balloting to determine the most outstanding player in college football.

In becoming Ohio State's seventh Heisman winner, Smith, who recorded a 25-3 record as a starter, had eliminated any-and-all doubters.

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
2003	10	14	0	14	1.4
2004	8	339	896	1235	154.4
2005	11	611	2282	2893	263.0
2006	13	204	2542	2746	211.2
TOTAL	42	1168	5720	6888	164.0

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bill willis

LEGENDARY ALL-AMERICAN

Considered one of the all-time great athletes ever to play for Ohio State, Bill Willis was a three-year starter for the Buckeyes between 1942 and 1944, playing both offense and defense.

A willowy 6-2 and 215 pounds, he was a devastating blocker on offense and a punishing, relentless tackler on defense. A member of the Buckeyes' 1942 national championship squad, Willis earned All-America honors in 1943 and 1944, becoming the first African-American All-American at Ohio State.

A Columbus native, he went on to a distinguished career with the Cleveland Browns after college; he was one of four African-Americans to reintegrate professional football. He was a member of five championship teams and was named all-pro eight times with the Browns.

A member of the Pro Football (1977), College Football (1971), Ohio High School Football and Ohio State University Athletics halls of fame, his jersey number "99" was retired Nov. 3, 2007. He passed away Nov. 27, 2007, in Columbus.

orlando pace

1995, 1996 LOMBARDI AWARD WINNER

1996 OUTLAND TROPHY WINNER

Orlando Pace broke into the starting lineup the first day of preseason camp his freshman year and started every game the next three years before passing up his senior season to enter the NFL draft. During his stay at Ohio State, the 6-6, 330-pound left tackle became recognized as one of the most dominant offensive linemen ever to play the game.

Pace made the "Pancake Block" famous his junior year, finishing the season with 80 of those blocks (knocking his defender to the ground and on his back). He also literally redefined the role of an offensive lineman with his amazing downfield blocking.

Playing one of the most challenging positions in football, Pace did not allow a sack in either of his last two years. In 1995, he made college football history by becoming the first sophomore to win the Lombardi Award. As a junior, he again made history by becoming the first two-time winner of that trophy. He also won the Outland Trophy and finished fourth in the Heisman Trophy balloting as a junior. The latter was the highest finish by a lineman since a second-place finish by Ohio State's John Hicks in 1973.

Other honors for Pace included consensus all-Big Ten and All-America honors in both 1995 and '96. He was the Football News Offensive Player of the Year and the Big Ten's Offensive Player of the Year in 1996. He also received the Chicago Tribune's Silver Football as the Most Valuable Player in the Big Ten.

Pace was the Big Ten Freshman of the Year in 1994 and the Big Ten Offensive Lineman of the Year in 1995 and '96. He also was a finalist for the 1996 Maxwell Award. A native of Sandusky, Ohio, Pace was selected by his teammates as Ohio State's MVP in 1996.

Taken by St. Louis as first overall pick in the 1997 NFL draft, Pace was a member of the Rams' 1999 Super Bowl championship team. He has been voted to seven Pro Bowls during his NFL career.



jim parker

1956 OUTLAND TROPHY WINNER

Jim Parker was Ohio State's first Outland Trophy winner as the nation's top interior lineman. He also is the standard by which his former coach, the late Woody Hayes, measured all other offensive linemen.

"Jim Parker was the greatest offensive lineman I ever coached. I'm not sure there has ever been a better offensive guard," said Hayes upon Parker's induction into the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame. "He was everything an offensive lineman should be."

Indeed, Parker could do it all. A tremendous athlete, the 6-2, 200-pounder could pull and run block with the best of them. And on the relatively few occasions when the Buckeyes decided to throw the ball, getting around the agile, quick-footed Parker was next to impossible.

Parker was a three-year starter and two-time All-American for the Buckeyes. He won the Outland Trophy as a senior in 1956. During his three years as a starter, Ohio State won 23 of 28 games, captured the 1954 national championship and won back-to-back Big Ten titles in 1954 and '55.

Parker, who was born in Macon, Ga., but played his last two years of high school football in Toledo, Ohio, was the Buckeyes' MVP in 1956.

A first round pick of the Baltimore Colts the following spring, he went on to enjoy a distinguished career in the NFL as a perennial all-pro pick.

In addition to being a charter member of the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame, Parker also is a member of the College Football (1974) and the Professional Football (1973) halls of fame. His play set a standard of excellence for all future Ohio State linemen. Parker passed away in July, 1985, at age 71.





john hicks

1973 LOMBARDI AWARD WINNER

1973 OUTLAND TROPHY WINNER

John Hicks came within an eyelash of pulling off one of the biggest triple plays in college football history in 1973. That year Hicks, a 6-3, 258-pound offensive tackle, won the Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award as the nation's best interior lineman and also finished second in the Heisman Trophy voting.

How close did Hicks come to becoming the first interior lineman ever to win the Heisman? Well, while he finished second that year, teammates Archie Griffin and Randy Gradishar were fifth and sixth, respectively, in the balloting. By combining Ohio State's total votes, Hicks would have had enough votes to move ahead of winner John Cappelletti.

Hicks enrolled at Ohio State in the fall of 1969. Freshmen were not eligible that year, but it didn't take the Ohio State coaching staff long to figure out the Cleveland native was destined for greatness.

Hicks became a starter at right tackle as a sophomore in 1970, helping the Buckeyes to the Big Ten title and a berth in the Rose Bowl. A loss to Stanford in Pasadena cost the No.-1 ranked and previously unbeaten Buckeyes the national championship.

Hicks missed the entire 1971 season because of a preseason knee injury. Not coincidentally, the Buckeyes struggled to a 6-4 record that year.

But he returned in 1972 and was a starter the next two years, winning consensus All-America honors both of those seasons and helping the Buckeyes to two more Big Ten titles and back-to-back Rose Bowl appearances. During his three years as a starter, Ohio State posted a combined record of 28-3-1. Hicks was the first player ever to start in three Rose Bowl games.

A fiery, emotional leader and a fan favorite, Hicks was a first-round draft choice of the New York Giants following the 1973 campaign. His promising career was cut short by injury, however, and he returned to Columbus to enter private business.

Hicks was selected in April, 2001, for the College Football Hall of Fame. He was inducted into the Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame in 1985.

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jim stillwagon

1970 LOMBARDI AWARD WINNER

1970 OUTLAND TROPHY WINNER

Jim Stillwagon made college football history in 1970 by becoming the first player to win the Outland Trophy and the Lombardi Award in the same year.

Stillwagon, a three-year starter at middle guard for the Buckeyes between 1968 and 1970, was a unanimous All-American as a junior and senior.

During "Wagon's" three seasons at Ohio State, the Buckeyes compiled a 27-2 record, won three Big Ten championships, played in two Rose Bowls and won a pair of national championships.

With Stillwagon clogging the middle, the Ohio State defense simply shut down opposing offenses. In 1969, the Buckeyes gave up just 93 total points. In 1970, only two opponents scored more than 13 points; five were held to under 10 points.

Tough, strong, aggressive, intelligent, relentless: all are adjectives that were used to describe Stillwagon. He was quite simply the best defensive lineman in college football in 1970. No one was surprised when he walked off with the Outland and Lombardi awards. The surprise would have come if someone else had been chosen.

After graduation, Stillwagon was drafted by the Green Bay Packers. He chose instead to play in the Canadian Football League and was one of the premier defensive linemen in that league before retiring.

Stillwagon, a member of the College Football (1991) and Ohio State Athletics (1979) halls of fame, is president of Stillwagon Enterprises in Columbus.

chris spielman

1987 LOMBARDI AWARD WINNER

Chris Spielman is in the Ohio State records book for a number of reasons. He led the Buckeyes in total tackles in 1986 and 1987 and is Ohio State's all-time leader in solo tackles. He also holds the OSU record for most total tackles in a game. A three-time all-Big Ten choice and a two-time All-American, Spielman concluded his brilliant career in 1987 by winning the Lombardi Award.

But it was not so much what he did as the way he did it. Those people who claim "You can't measure heart," never saw Spielman play. Intense and competitive almost beyond description, Spielman played every down of every game as if the national championship were on the line. Few players have ever been as focused on the playing field.

Spielman was a three-year starter and would have been a four-year regular were it not for two sprained ankles that greatly limited his playing time as a freshman. Still, he collected 546 career tackles, a total that places him third on the all-time OSU list behind Marcus Marek (572) and Tom Cousineau (569).

Spielman's tackle total includes a school-record 283 solo stops. The Massillon, Ohio, native had his best year in 1986 as a junior, recording 205 total stops, including an OSU record 105 solos. His best game that year was a school record-tying 29 total tackles against Michigan.

Spielman's Ohio State teams won two Big Ten titles. He played in the Rose and Cotton bowls and was defensive MVP in the latter as a senior.

Upon leaving Ohio State, Spielman became recognized as one of the NFL's top players, finishing his 12-year career in 1999 with the Cleveland Browns. He was a four-time Pro Bowl selection and was a 2000 inductee into the Ohio State University Athletics Hall of Fame.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sks	Int.
1984	7	24	21	45	2-10	1	0
1985	11	76	64	104	9-31	1	3
1986	13	105	100	205	9-26	2	6
1987	11	78	78	156	10-45	4	2
TOTAL	42	283	263	546	30-112	8	11



a.j. hawk

2005 LOMBARDI AWARD WINNER

A. J. Hawk capped a brilliant senior year by becoming Ohio State's fifth Lombardi Award winner, presented annually since 1970 to the best player in college football who lines up within five yards of the snap.

The 6-1, 247-pound Hawk finished the 2005 campaign with a team-high 121 tackles, marking the third consecutive year he had paced the Buckeyes in that category. His tackle totals included 16.5 tackles-for-loss and 9.5 sacks, both best on the team.

In addition to the Lombardi Award, Hawk was the 2005 Big Ten pre-season and post-season Defensive Player of the Year and Defensive MVP of the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

A first-team All-American both as a junior and senior, Hawk closed his career as the fifth leading tackler in Ohio State history with 494 career stops, 41 tackles-for-loss and 9.5 sacks. His 141 tackles in 2004 were the most by an Ohio State player since 1986.

Hawk led the team in tackles in 10 of 12 games in 2005, including a season-high 19 stops against Michigan State. A four-year letterman, Hawk was elected co-captain as a senior, receiving a vote from every player on the team except for himself.

Players like A. J. Hawk don't come along very often. His intensity and passion for the game made him special. His long blond locks flowing out from beneath his helmet in tribute to the late Pat Tillman, he was literally all over the field making plays and encouraging his teammates. The 2005 Ohio State defense was one of the most formidable in the nation, leading the Big Ten in total defense, scoring defense, rushing defense and sacks. Needless to say, Hawk played a huge role in that success.

Following the season, Hawk was the fifth player taken in the 2006 NFL draft, going to the Green Bay Packers, his current team.

HAWK'S CAREER STATISTICS

Tackles	G	UA	A	Total	TFL	Yds	PD	FF	FR
2002	14	13	13	26	3.5	16	2	0	0
2003	13	52	54	106	13.0	49	7	0	0
2004	12	62	79	141	8.0	14	7	1	1
2005	12	69	52	121	16.5	85	4	2	1
TOTAL	51	196	198	394	41.0	164	20	3	2

Interceptions	G	No.	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg/R	Avg/G
2002	14	2	44	1	34	22.0	3.1
2003	13	2	55	0	55	27.5	4.2
2004	12	2	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2005	12	1	24	0	24	24.0	2.0
TOTAL	51	7	123	1	55	17.6	2.4





antoine winfield

1998 THORPE AWARD WINNER

Antoine Winfield, a team captain as a senior, was one of the all-time great cornerbacks in Ohio State history. A two-time All-American, he was a consensus choice as a senior in 1998. He was the first Buckeye to win the Thorpe Award as the nation's outstanding defensive back; the first non-linebacker (and only the fifth player total) to record at least 200 solo tackles; the first defensive back in Ohio State history to be voted team MVP (following the 1997 season); and the first cornerback in recorded history to lead the team in tackles when he did so in 1997.

A two-time all-Big Ten Conference selection, he closed his career with 278 tackles, including 224 solo stops, 22 tackles-for-loss, 29 pass breakups and three interceptions. He played in four bowl games, including the 1996 Citrus Bowl when he came in as a true freshman and recorded seven tackles. He played in 50 career games, starting 29 times.

As a senior in 1998, he was one of five finalists for the Football News Defensive Player of the Year Award. He was named first-team All-America by the Football Coaches Association, Walter Camp, the Football Writers and the Football News and was named the Buckeyes' Bill Willis Defensive Player of the Year award winner. He totaled 75 tackles, including nine solo tackles in a win over Michigan to close the season.

As a junior, Winfield was voted by his teammates as the 1997 MVP after a season in which he totaled 100 tackles, 12 pass break-ups and two interceptions. He had 82 solo tackles, the fifth-highest solo tackle total in school history, and made the Football Writers and Football News All-America teams. He led the team in tackles five times, including a magnificent 10-tackle performance against Michigan and a career-high, 13-tackle effort against Missouri.

A first-round draft pick of the Buffalo Bills in 1999, the hard-hitting Winfield has been a member of the Minnesota Vikings since 2004.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL	Sacks	Int.
1995	13	45	11	56	5-19	0	0
1996	12	36	11	47	4-9	0	1
1997	13	82	18	100	8-40	3	2
1998	12	61	14	75	5-34	2	0
TOTAL	50	224	54	278	22-102	5	3

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andy katzenmoyer

1997 BUTKUS AWARD WINNER

Andy Katzenmoyer started the first game of his freshman year in 1996 and was a regular for 37 consecutive games. He opted for an NFL career at the end of his junior season. He won a plethora of awards, including the 1997 Butkus Award and consensus All-America honors as a sophomore, and the 1996 Football News and Big Ten Freshman of the Year. He was a three-time all-Big Ten selection and a two-time finalist for the Lombardi Award.

Katzenmoyer amassed three-year statistical totals of 197 solo tackles, 256 total tackles, 50 tackles-for-loss, 192 yards in losses, 18 quarterback sacks and six interceptions. He was twice named the team's Randy Gradishar Award winner as best linebacker (1997-98). He scored twice on interceptions, vs. Minnesota as a freshman and vs. Arizona as a sophomore, tying a school record for interception return TDs. He also tied the school record with five tackles-for-loss in a game (vs. Arizona State in the 1997 Rose Bowl).

A consensus All-American as a sophomore in 1997, he became only the second sophomore to win the Butkus Award as the nation's outstanding linebacker. He was a Lombardi Award finalist, ranking second on the team with 97 tackles, including 13 tackles-for-loss. He clinched the Arizona win with a 20-yard interception return touchdown. He had 11 tackles against both Arizona and Iowa. In 1996 he became the first freshman to start every game at linebacker for the Buckeyes, finished second on the team with 85 tackles and paced the team with 23 tackles-for-loss and sacks (12), both school records for a linebacker.

As a junior in 1998, Katzenmoyer was a finalist for the Maxwell Football Club's Defensive Player of the Year Award (in addition to the Lombardi Award) and he anchored the nation's top-ranked defense against the run and second-ranked total defense. A first-round draft pick of the New England Patriots, his professional career was cut short by injury.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sack	Int.
1996	12	57	28	85	23-103	12.0	4
1997	13	80	17	97	13-30	2.0	2
1998	12	60	14	74	14-59	4.0	0
TOTAL	37	197	59	256	50-192	18.0	6

terry glenn

1995 BILETNIKOFF AWARD WINNER

Anyone who saw Terry Glenn play would never know that he has a fear of flying. Glenn repeatedly rose to new heights during the 1995 campaign, gracefully soaring through the air to gather in one clutch reception after another in a record-breaking year that resulted in the 5-11, 185-pound flanker becoming the school's first-ever recipient of the Fred Biletnikoff Award.

Glenn finished the season with 64 receptions for 1,411 yards and 17 touchdowns, third-best in school history. His touchdown total is still a school record but his yardage record was topped by David Boston's 1,435 yards in 1998.

Glenn, who had just 15 career receptions for 266 yards and no TDs entering the 1995 campaign, led the nation in yards per catch, was fourth nationally in yards per game and eighth nationally in scoring in 1995, his final year as a Buckeye.

In addition to winning the Biletnikoff Award, Glenn, a native of Columbus and a product of Brookhaven High School, followed Cris Carter as just the second wide receiver in Ohio State history to win first-team All-America honors.

Glenn caught nine passes for 253 yards and four touchdowns at Pitt, shattering the school records for single-game receiving yardage and tying the mark for TD catches. The Pitt game was one of seven 100-yard games for Glenn, another OSU record. He also had nine receptions, all of the acrobatic and clutch variety, in the Buckeyes' 28-25 win at Penn State.

A big-play athlete, Glenn had eight catches of 45 or more yards, including a memorable 82-yard catch-and-run TD grab against Notre Dame. He had touchdown receptions in nine of the 12 games he played in, and his numbers might have been even better had he not played the last three games of the season with a badly bruised shoulder.

At the end of the season, Glenn opted to leave school and was taken in the first round of the 1996 NFL draft by the New England Patriots. He set an NFL record for catches (90) by a rookie, helping the Patriots to the Super Bowl in a sensational first year. He is currently with the Dallas Cowboys.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1992*	0	0	0	0.0	0
1993	10	8	156	19.5	0
1994	10	7	110	15.7	0
1995	12	64	1,411	22.1	17
TOTAL	32	79	1,677	21.2	17

*Redshirted



lecharles bentley

2001 RIMINGTON AWARD WINNER

LeCharles Bentley was another in a long line of outstanding offensive linemen at Ohio State. During the 2001 season, he won consensus all-Big Ten and All-America honors, was chosen as the Big Ten's Offensive Lineman of the Year and was named winner of the second annual Dave Rimington Award as the best center in college football. He became the 20th Ohio State player to win a major award.

Bentley, a native of Cleveland, enjoyed a stellar senior year, capping a brilliant career starting all 11 regular-season games and grading out to a winning performance in each game. Time and again, it was the 6-2, 300-pound Bentley who was called upon to provide the key block that either kept a drive alive or led to an Ohio State touchdown. He graded 90 percent or better in nine of the 11 games he played and was chosen as offensive lineman of the week five times. At the end of the season, the coaching staff selected him as the offensive player of the year.

Bentley was a three-year starter for the Buckeyes. He started the final seven games of the 1999 season (six at guard and one at tackle) before moving to center as a junior in 2000. He started all 12 games as a junior, playing through a painful lower back condition, and won second-team All-Big Ten honors.

At the end of his senior year, he won first-team All-America honors on the Walter Camp, Football Writers, Football Coaches, and Associated Press teams. As a senior, Bentley faced the challenge of playing for a new coaching staff. He quickly won that group's confidence and admiration with his tough, smart and physical style of play.

A second-round pick of the New Orleans Saints in the 2002 NFL Draft, Bentley was named Sports Illustrated's Offensive Rookie of the Year. He has earned two Pro Bowl selections during his career with the Saints and Cleveland Browns.





b.j. sander

2003 RAY GUY AWARD WINNER

B. J. Sander had big shoes to fill in 2003. As the Buckeyes' punter, he faced the daunting task of replacing graduated All-American Andy Groom.

But Sander's shoes seemed to fit just fine. In a storybook season, he averaged 43.3 yards per punt, was voted to a first-team all-Big Ten berth and became the first Buckeye to win the Ray Guy Award as the nation's best collegiate punter.

From a pure numbers point, Sander was magical. Of his 82 kicks, a phenomenal 39 were downed inside the opposing 20-yard line. That figure led the nation. Additionally, 16 of his punts were fair-caught, meaning just 31 of his punts were even returned.

Sander led the Big Ten and was fourth nationally in net punting. Like Groom, he was a master at giving the Buckeyes good field position and allowing the Ohio State defense to dominate a game.

Two of his best efforts came late in the year. Against Purdue in Ohio State's final home game of the season, he punted 10 times, downing seven of those inside the 20 and five inside the 10. At Michigan, where Ohio State athletes establish their legacies, he averaged 49.1 yards per punt on nine kicks. Sander had five kicks of 60 or more yards, including a career best of 68 yards against San Diego State.

The Cincinnati native was a third-round draft pick of the NFL's Green Bay Packers in 2004 and played there two seasons.

CAREER STATISTICS PUNTING

Year	Gm	No	Yds	Avg	Long	Blkd	TB	FC	50+	I20
1999	2	2	49	24.5	34	0	0	0	0	0
2000	12	37	1549	41.9	69	2	0	6	8	7
2001	2	4	119	29.8	46	0	1	0	0	0
2002	Did not play									
2003	13	82	3553	43.3	68	0	7	16	19	39
TOTALS	29	125	5270	42.2	69	2	8	22	27	46

*Redshirted

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mike nugent

2004 LOU GROZA AWARD WINNER

When Ohio State senior Mike Nugent, or "Noooooge" as he was known to Buckeye fans, was selected as the winner of the 2004 Lou Groza Award as the nation's best place-kicker, no one was surprised. There was simply no one else in the same league.

Nugent was the model of consistency in 2004, converting 24 of 27 field goal attempts, including five-of-six from 50 yards or longer to lead the nation in that statistic. He also made all 30 of his extra point tries and sent 40 of his 62 kickoffs into the end zone for touchbacks.

In a 24-21 win over Marshall, the 5-10, 180-pound kicker calmly nailed a career-long 55-yarder as time ran out. The following week, in a hard-fought 22-14 win at North Carolina State, he was a perfect five-for-five in the field goal department. In his final game as a Buckeye, Nugent scored 15 points against Oklahoma State to become Ohio State's all-time leading scorer with 356 points.

During his illustrious career, Nugent literally rewrote the Ohio State record book, either setting outright or sharing in 22 school kicking records. Two of the more significant were career marks for field goals made (72 of 88) and career field goal percentage (.857). He also holds the marks for most consecutive field goals made (24), consecutive field goals made in Ohio Stadium (17) and career 50-yard field goals (8).

Nugent won All-America honors in both 2002 and 2004, becoming the first Ohio State placekicker to receive a spot on the first team. He was a consensus choice in 2004, landing a spot on the Walter Camp, Football Writers, Football Coaches, Sporting News and Associated Press All-American teams.

At the beginning of the 2004 season, Nugent's teammates selected him as one of the team captains, the first kicker since 1976 to be so honored. At the end of the year, his teammates chose him as the 2004 MVP.

He was a 2005 second-round draft pick of the NFL's New York Jets, his current team.

NUGENT'S OSU RECORDS

Total points by a kicker in a season (2002).....	120
Most FGs in a career:	68
Most FGs in a season (2002):	25
Consecutive FGs made (2001-02):.....	24
Consecutive FGs made in one season (2002):	23
Games with multiple FGs:.....	19
Consecutive FGs made in Ohio Stadium:.....	17
Consecutive games with at least one FG:	12 (tied)
FGs made 40+ yds. in a season (2002):.....	10
Made FGs/game (vs. N.C. State, 2004):	5 (tied)
FGs attempted in a game (at Illinois, 2002, at N.C. State, 2004):.....	5 (tied)
FGs made 40+ yds./game.....	3 (tied)
(twice, vs. Wash. St., 2002 and at N.C. State, 2004)	
Single-season 50+ FGs (2004):.....	5
Career 50+ FGs:.....	.8
Career 50+ FGs in Ohio Stadium:.....	.6
FG percentage season (25-28/2002):.....	.893
Career FG percentage (68-84, 2001-04):.....	.810
Back-to-back 50-yd. FGs: (55 vs. Marshall, 50 at N.C. State, 2004)	
Longest FG/Ohio Stadium: (55 vs. Marshall and Wisconsin, 2004)	tied

david boston**SPLIT END 1996-98**

In three seasons, David Boston set or tied 12 Ohio State receiving records, including most receptions (191), yards (2,855) and touchdowns (34) in a career and most receptions (85) and yards (1,435) in a season (1998). His records also included most 100-yard receiving games in a career (13) and season (8 in 1998). In 1998, he earned first team All-America honors. But what separated him from other receivers in OSU history is the way he stood out in big games. With 19 seconds left to play in the 1997 Rose Bowl, he caught the game-winning touchdown. In the 1998 Michigan game, he torched the Wolverines with 10 receptions for 231 yards and two touchdowns. He capped off his career by being named MVP of the 1999 Sugar Bowl. The Humble, Texas, native played eight seasons in the NFL.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1996	12	33	450	13.6	7
1997	13	73	970	13.3	14
1998	12	85	1,435	16.9	13
TOTAL	37	191	2,855	14.9	34

earle bruce**HEAD COACH 1979-1987**

Earle Bruce, who played for the Buckeyes in the 1950s and was an assistant to Woody Hayes from 1966-72, became OSU head coach in 1979. His first season was defined by an 8-0 conference record that earned the Buckeyes their first outright Big Ten title in four seasons. Ohio State entered the 1979 Rose Bowl ranked No. 1, but fell short of a national title 17-16 to USC; Bruce was named Big Ten and national coach of the year. A 31-28 win over Navy in the 1981 Liberty Bowl was the first of three consecutive bowl victories, (47-17 over BYU, 1982 Holiday Bowl; 28-23 Pitt, 1983 Fiesta Bowl). The Buckeyes went back to the Rose Bowl in 1984. The fourth Big Ten title the Buckeyes achieved under the fiery Bruce was in 1986, when Ohio State finished the season with a Cotton Bowl victory. He left Ohio State after the 1987 season with an 81-26-1 record, including a 5-3 mark in bowl games. Bruce, who was also head coach at Iowa State, Northern Iowa, Colorado State and in Arena Football, is a member of the College Football (2002), Ohio State (2004) and Iowa State (2000) halls of fame.

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keith byars**TAILBACK 1982-85**

Keith Byars earned first team All-America honors, was Big Ten MVP and runner-up for the Heisman Trophy (to Boston College's Doug Flutie) in 1984, when he rushed for a then-school record 1,764 yards and 22 touchdowns. That season, he led the nation in rushing, scoring (144 points) and all-purpose running (2,441). Included in those totals were 274 yards and five TDs against Illinois in one of the most brilliant individual performances in OSU annals. The Fighting Illini led 24-0, but Byars' fourth TD was a spectacular 67-yard run in which he completely reversed his field and lost a shoe at the Illinois 35, but still outran the Illini secondary. His fifth touchdown of the day was the game winner. Byars, who missed most of his senior year with a broken foot, is still fourth on the all-time rushing list with 3,200 yards. The Dayton, Ohio, native played 13 seasons in the NFL. He was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2000.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	R	Yds.	Avg.	Rec.-Yds	TDs
1982	9	4	17	4.3	1-20	0
1983	12	222	1,199	5.4	23-359	22
1984	12	336	1,764	5.3	42-479	24
1985	4	53	208	3.9	7-44	4
TOTAL	37	619	3,200	5.2	73-902	50

cris carter**SPLIT END 1984-86**

In his three seasons as a starter, Cris Carter caught 164 passes for 2,725 yards and 27 touchdowns. His hands were exceptional, his route running was precise, his ability to stay in-bounds was uncanny and he possessed the ability to out-jump his defenders. He made the diving, leaping, acrobatic catch look routine. In 1985, Carter set a Rose Bowl record with nine receptions for 172 yards. In 1986, Carter put together one of the great seasons in OSU annals with 69 receptions for 1,127 yards and 11 touchdowns. At the conclusion of that season, he became Ohio State's first All-America split end. He left Ohio State as the school's all-time leader in career receptions, touchdown receptions and reception yardage and is without question one of the greatest receivers in OSU and Big Ten history. A product of Middletown, Ohio, he played 16 seasons in the NFL and was an eight-time Pro Bowl selection. His #80 was retired by the Minnesota Vikings and he was one of only four NFL receivers with more than 1,000 career receptions (1,101). Carter was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2003.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1984	12	41	648	15.8	8
1985	12	58	950	16.4	8
1986	13	69	1,127	16.3	11
TOTAL	37	164	2,725	16.6	27

john cooper

HEAD COACH 1988-2000



John Cooper, the only college coach to win the Rose Bowl with both a Big Ten and Pac-10 team, became OSU head coach in 1988. His list of achievements include three shared Big Ten championships, five 10-win seasons and a 1997 Rose Bowl victory. The Buckeyes captured their first Big Ten title since 1986 in 1993, going 10-1-1 and beating BYU in the Holiday Bowl. In 1995, led by an offense that amassed a school-record 475 points, Ohio State climbed the polls to as high as No. 2, garnering an 11-2 record and three players earned national honors: Heisman Trophy winner Eddie George, Lombardi winner Orlando Pace and Biletnikoff winner Terry Glenn. In 1996, Cooper piloted Ohio State to a No. 2 final ranking, a shared Big Ten title, and a dramatic come-from-behind 20-17 victory over Arizona State in the Rose Bowl. He left Ohio State after the 2000 season with a 111-43-4 record. Cooper's teams finished the regular season ranked in the final Top 25 polls 12 of 13 years, including three Top 5 finishes. Overall, 21 All-Americans played under Cooper, as Ohio State played in three Citrus Bowls, three Hall of Fame/Outback Bowls, two Sugar Bowls, and the Rose, Holiday and Liberty bowls. Cooper, who was also head coach at Tulsa and Arizona State, was inducted to the College Football Hall of Fame in 2008.

tom cousineau

LINEBACKER 1975-78



Tom Cousineau was a two-time All-American for the Buckeyes. In 1977, he was named the top defensive player in the Orange Bowl. His 211 tackles in 1978 still stands as a single-season school record. Against Penn State in 1978, Cousineau was in on 29 total tackles, at the time an Ohio State record that was tied by Chris Spielman. Cousineau also holds the school record for most solo tackles in a single game (16 against SMU in 1978). Six of the Top 10 single game tackle performances in school history are held by Cousineau. He ranks second on both the all-time OSU tackle list with 569 (three behind Marcus Marek) and on the career solo tackles list with 259. MVP of the Orange Bowl and the Hula Bowl, Cousineau became OSU's first No.1 overall pick in the NFL Draft when he was selected in 1979 by the Buffalo Bills. He played three seasons with the Montreal Alouettes of the CFL and was the 1979 Grey Cup MVP. He then played seven seasons in the NFL. The Fairview Park, Ohio, native was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 1995.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks
1975	12	26	44	70	2-2	n/a
1976	12	102	82	184	4-8	n/a
1977	11	89	60	149	2-8	n/a
1978	12	101	110	211	11-54	n/a
TOTAL	47	259	310	569	19-72	

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mike doss

STRONG SAFETY 1999-2002



Mike Doss was a three-year starter for the Buckeyes. In each of those years – his sophomore, junior and senior seasons – Mike won first-team All-America honors. In doing so, he became just the seventh three-time All-American in Ohio State football history. Doss was an inspiration both on and off the field. At the beginning of his senior year, he was chosen as one of the team's two co-captains. At the end of his senior year, in his final game as a Buckeye, he was chosen as Defensive MVP of the Fiesta Bowl, where Ohio State captured its first consensus national championship since 1968 with a thrilling 31-24 double-overtime victory over Miami. During his career with the Buckeyes, Mike Doss played in 50 games, starting 40, and collecting a combined total of 331 tackles, placing him in the OSU career top 10. Doss started the last two games of his freshman year. From that point on he was a regular. As a sophomore, he finished the season with a team-best 94 tackles and was named to a first-team berth on The Sporting News All-America team. He also led the team in tackles as a junior with 87 total stops and was again named to a first-team spot on The Sporting News team, as well as the Walter Camp squad. After electing to stay for his senior year, Doss collected a personal high 107 tackles and was named first team All-America on the Associated Press, Football Writers, Football Coaches, Sporting News and Walter Camp teams. A three-time all-Big Ten pick, Doss was the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year as a senior. The Canton, Ohio, native has played five seasons in the NFL.

wesley fesler

END 1928-30



Wes Fesler was Ohio State's second three-time All-American, winning first-team recognition at end in 1928, '29 and '30. Fesler, who also played fullback for the Buckeyes, was team captain as a senior and was the Ohio State and the Big Ten MVP in 1930. Fesler, a superb all-around athlete, earned nine letters, three each in football, basketball and baseball. In basketball, he won all-Big Ten honors in 1931. In baseball, he spent time in the St. Louis Cardinals organization. After graduating, Fesler served one year as an assistant on the OSU staff and then was head football coach at Wesleyan, Princeton and Pitt. In 1947, he returned to his alma mater as head coach and spent four years, compiling a 21-13-3 record and winning the 1949 Big Ten Championship and the 1950 Rose Bowl. He later served as head coach at Minnesota and was inducted to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1954. He was a charter inductee to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 1977. The Youngstown, Ohio, native passed away July 30, 1989 at age 81.

john frank

TIGHT END 1980-83



John Frank distinguished himself both as a football player and as a scholar. All-Big Ten as a junior and senior, Frank ranked fourth on the all-time Ohio State receiving list with 121 catches for 1,481 yards and nine touchdowns; the reception and yardage totals were the most in school history by a tight end. He was a three-year starter, catching a personal high 45 passes in 1981 and again in 1983, still a record total for tight ends. He was voted the team MVP as a senior. In the classroom, Frank was a two-time Academic All-American and a Rhodes Scholar finalist. After winning two Super Bowl rings with San Francisco 49ers, Frank returned to Ohio State to continue his medical studies. He received his doctor of medicine in June, 1992. He was inducted into the National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame in 2006 and the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 1998.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TDs
1980	11	5	65	13.0	0
1981	12	45	449	9.9	3
1982	12	26	326	12.5	2
1983	12	45	641	14.2	4
TOTAL	47	121	1,481	12.2	9

joe germaine

QUARTERBACK 1996-98



Joe Germaine proved in two seasons as a backup that he was a fine quarterback. But it was 1996, his senior year as the starter and team co-captain, when he set 11 school records while throwing for 3,330 yards and 25 touchdowns, that separated him from other OSU quarterbacks. He was the Chicago Tribune's Silver Football Award winner as the Big Ten MVP that year and he led OSU to the No. 1 national ranking for a then-school-record 10 consecutive weeks. He also was named by the conference coaches as the Big Ten's Offensive Player of the Year. No Ohio State fan will ever forget his heroics in the 1997 Rose Bowl as he calmly directed the Buckeyes 65 yards in 12 plays in the final 1:40 for the winning touchdown (a five-yard touchdown pass to David Boston with 19 seconds left). Germaine threw for 6,370 yards and 56 touchdowns in three seasons. The Mesa, Arizona, product played five seasons in the NFL and is currently a starter in Arena Football.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Att.	Comp.	Yards	TDs	Int.
1996	12	147	80	1,193	15	4
1997	13	210	129	1,847	16	9
1998	12	384	230	3,330	25	7
TOTAL	37	741	439	6,370	56	20

randy gradishar

LINEBACKER 1971-73



Randy Gradishar was referred to by Woody Hayes as "the best linebacker I ever coached at Ohio State." He was a two-time All-American and is considered one of the most versatile, mobile and complete linebackers ever to play college football. Gradishar was a three-year starter between 1971 and 1973 and recorded 320 total tackles. He finished sixth in the Heisman Trophy balloting as a senior and was the backbone of the 1973 defense, which recorded four shutouts and allowed just 64 points. After graduation, he played 10 years with the Denver Broncos. During his career, he was a seven-time Pro Bowler, the second most by any Bronco at the end of his career, and he also is the all-time leader in tackles for Denver with 1,958. He was inducted into the Academic All-America Hall of Fame in 1992. In December of 1998, he was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks
1971	10	35	31	84	6-16	n/a
1972	11	42	60	102	4-26	n/a
1973	11	60	74	134	6-13	n/a
TOTAL	32	137	165	320	16-55	

chic harley

RUNNING BACK 1916-17, 1919



Charles "Chic" Harley was Ohio State's first three-time All-American. Harley won All-America honors as a running back in 1916 and '17. He spent 1918 in the military but then returned to OSU in 1919 and picked up where he had left off, again winning All-America acclaim. In addition to running the football, he also punted, kicked extra points (he used the drop kick) and played defense. Fans turned out in record numbers to watch Harley play. Harley led the Buckeyes to their first Big Ten title in 1916, a repeat championship in 1917 and a second-place finish in 1919. In 1919, he was named team captain. During his three seasons at Ohio State, the Buckeyes posted a combined record of 21-1-1. The Buckeyes played at old Ohio Field during the Harley era. But largely because of his play, Ohio Stadium was built in 1922 and has been known as the "House that Harley built." His jersey number 47 was retired in 2004.

bobby hoying**QUARTERBACK 1992-95**

Bobby Hoying was a three-year starter for OSU, leading the Buckeyes to a combined record of 30-7-1. As a senior, Hoying earned first team all-Big Ten honors, was named team captain and rewrote the OSU records book by throwing for 3,269 yards and 29 touchdowns. He also set school records for completion percentage (.580) and passing efficiency (163.4) that year. His 57 career TD passes set a school record, as did the 16 games in which he passed for 200 or more yards. Hoying led the Big Ten in total offense as a senior and wound up second nationally in passing efficiency. His 7,232 passing yards (most of which came his last two years) ranked second in OSU annals. An exceptional student, he won the 1995 National Football Foundation's Vincent dePaul Draddy Award, which goes annually to the top senior student-athlete in college football. The native of St. Henry, Ohio, played six seasons in professional football. He was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2008.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Att.	Comp.	Yards	TDs	Int.
1992	6	14	8	58	1	1
1993	12	202	109	1,570	8	8
1994	13	301	170	2,335	19	14
1995	13	341	211	3,269	29	12
TOTAL	44	858	498	7,232	57	35

pepper johnson**LINEBACKER 1982-85**

Thomas "Pepper" Johnson played for the Buckeyes between 1982-85, earning All-America honors as a senior. During his career, he was credited with 379 tackles, good for fourth place on the all-time OSU list. In the 1984 and '85 seasons, Johnson led the squad in tackles and teamed with Chris Spielman to give the Buckeyes one of the most formidable linebacking tandems in college football. A born leader, Johnson was elected team captain and voted defensive MVP in both his junior and senior seasons. He also was named all-Big Ten in both of those years. He was a member of two Super Bowl championship teams with the New York Giants. Johnson was named to the Pro Bowl twice in his career and built a reputation as one of the most feared hitters in professional football. After 13 seasons as an NFL player, he began his coaching career with the New England Patriots. He was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2001.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Asst.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks
1982	7	1	5	6	0-0	0
1983	11	38	54	92	2-12	2
1984	12	77	63	140	5-18	1
1985	12	74	67	141	5-24	2
TOTAL	42	190	189	379	12-54	5

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pete johnson**FULLBACK 1973-76**

But the 6-1, 247-pound Johnson was much more than a just a blocking back. He also was proficient at lugging the pigskin, rushing for 2,308 yards and a school-record 58 touchdowns during his career. To say "Big Pete" had a nose for the goal line would be an understatement. He led the nation in scoring as a junior, tallying a school and Big Ten record 26 touchdowns. He also rushed for 1,059 yards and converted 34 of 44 third-down tries. Johnson set a school record that year with five TDs against North Carolina. In 1976, playing almost the entire season with two sprained ankles, Johnson still rushed for 724 yards and 19 touchdowns. His 156 points in 1975 was a school record and 348 career points stood as the school record until the 2004 season. He played eight seasons in the NFL and was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2007.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	R	Yds.	Avg.	Rec.-Yds	TDs
1973	6	55	205	3.7	0-0	6
1974	12	80	320	4.0	1-11	6
1975	12	227	1,059	4.6	3-26	26
1976	12	186	724	3.8	4-41	19
TOTAL	42	548	2,308	4.2	8-78	58

rex kern**QUARTERBACK 1968-70**

With Rex Kern at the helm, Ohio State rolled to a 27-2 record, won the 1968 national championship, captured two Big Ten titles and played in two Rose Bowls. To win the national championship, Kern led OSU to a 27-16 win over Southern California in the Rose Bowl. He was named the game's Most Outstanding Player. Additionally, the Buckeyes narrowly missed out on the 1969 and '70 wire service national championships, losing the final game in both of those years after being ranked No. 1 going into their respective season finales. In 1969, he was named an All-American. In 1970, he was elected team captain. Kern's statistics, as impressive as they were, tell just half the story. The fiery redhead was an emotional leader who displayed a penchant for making big plays when most needed. He was a winner in every sense of the word. Earning three degrees from Ohio State, he played four seasons in the NFL. He was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 1978 and the College Football Hall of Fame in 2007.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Att.	Comp.	Yards	TDs	Int.
1968	10	131	75	972	7	6
1969	9	135	68	1,002	9	10
1970	10	98	45	470	3	8
TOTAL	29	364	188	2,444	19	24

craig krenzel

QUARTERBACK 2002-2003



Craig Krenzel was a two-year starter at quarterback for the Buckeyes. Taking over the offensive reins with almost no experience at the start of the 2002 season, the 6-4 signalcaller led the Buckeyes to a share of the Big Ten title, the national championship and a perfect 14-0 record. At the end of the season, Krenzel was selected by his teammates as co-MVP. A little less than a month later he was named as the Offensive MVP in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, where he guided the Buckeyes to a thrilling 31-24 double overtime win over top-ranked Miami in the national title game. The leading rusher in the game, Krenzel's fourth-and-14 completion to Michael Jenkins in the first overtime kept OSU's title hopes alive. In 2003, Krenzel directed OSU to an 11-2 record and a second consecutive win in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl. After throwing four touchdown passes against Kansas State in the latter, he was again selected as the game's Offensive MVP. Krenzel completed his career with a 24-3 mark as a starter, including a 2-1 record against Michigan. An honors graduate in molecular genetics, he swept the most prestigious academic awards, including the National Football Foundation's Draddy Trophy, the Socrates Award and the NCAA Today's Top VII. He spent three seasons in the NFL before retiring.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP/GS	Att.-Cmp.	Pct.	Yds.	TDs	Int.	Lg.
2000	7/0	9-5	55.6	57	0	1	16
2001	3/2	43-23	53.7	286	1	3	35
2002	14/14	249-148	59.4	2,110	12	7	57
2003	11/11	278-153	55.0	2,040	15	10	60
TOTALS	35/27	579-329	56.8	4,493	28	21	60

jim lachey

OFFENSIVE GUARD 1981-84



Jim Lachey entered his senior season with just four career starts. But in his final year, Lachey established himself as one of the top linemen in all of college football and was named first team All-America. Blessed with unusual speed and strength for a man his size, Lachey played guard for the Buckeyes, but could easily have played tackle. Lachey played a key role in the Ohio State offense in 1984, paving the way for junior running back Keith Byars, who led the nation in rushing (1,764 yards), scoring (24 touchdowns) and in all-purpose running (2,441 yards). In 1995, the San Diego Chargers drafted Lachey, a St. Henry, Ohio, native, with the 12th pick in the first round. In 1991, he started at left tackle for the Super Bowl champion Washington Redskins. In his 11-year NFL career, he was named All-Pro nine times and established himself as one of the game's top linemen. He was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 1999. He is currently the analyst on the Buckeye radio broadcasts.

tom skladany

KICKER 1973-76



OSU's most recent three-time All-American, Tom Skladany was a punter and kicker between 1973-76 and the first kicking specialist ever to receive a football scholarship at Ohio State. He proved his worth immediately, landing the job as the Buckeyes' No. 1 punter as a freshman. He also kicked off as a freshman and sophomore. As a junior and senior, he added PATs and field goals to his list of responsibilities. Skladany averaged 45.6 yards per punt as a sophomore and was named to the Football Writers All-America Team. He was a consensus All-America choice the next two years, again leading the country in 1975 with a 46.7 average. As a senior, he averaged 42.3 yards per kick and finished his career with a 42.7 average on 160 punts. That's good for second on the all-time list, as is his yardage figure of 6,838. Skladany was co-captain of the 1976 squad, the first specialist ever chosen as a Buckeye captain. The six-year NFL veteran was a 1991 inductee to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	PAT		FG		Punting		
		(M-A)	(M-A)	(M-A)	(M-A)	TB	No.	Yds. Avg.
1973	10	0-0	0-0	0	35	1,252	35.7	
1974	12	0-3	4-5	4	31	1,416	45.6	
1975	12	0-0	2-3	8	41	1,918	46.7	
1976	12	35-37	8-23	59	53	2,252	42.4	
TOTAL	46	35-40	14-31	71	160	6,838	42.7	

shawn springs

CORNERBACK 1994-96



In 1996, Shawn Springs was one of the top cornerbacks in college football and the dominant defensive player in the Big Ten - despite not recording an interception. Most teams simply chose not to test him. The 1996 Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year (selected by the conference head coaches) was named to the Walter Camp, Football Coaches, Sporting News and Football News All-America teams. He finished the year with 39 tackles and a team-high 15 passes broken up. In his final game as a Buckeye, he held Arizona State receiver Keith Poole to just one catch for 10 yards in the Rose Bowl. He finished that game with five tackles and four passes broken up. Springs finished his career as a two-time all-Big Ten selection. The Seattle Seahawks selected him with the third overall selection in the 1997 NFL Draft after his junior season; he has had two Pro Bowl selections during his eight-year NFL career.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Ast.	Total	PBU	Int.
1994	13	42	19	61	7	1
1995	12	40	12	52	2	5
1996	12	30	9	39	15	0
TOTAL	37	112	40	152	24	6

jack tatum

DEFENSIVE BACK 1968-70



Jack Tatum was one of the dominant defensive players and most intimidating forces in college football during his career at Ohio State. A three-year starter, a two-time All-American and the national Defensive Player of the Year as a senior, he was known for his tenacity and fierce style of play. The 6-1, 208-pound Tatum came to Ohio State as a running back, but moved to defense in the spring of his freshman year. He was a mainstay of the defense for the next three seasons as OSU rolled up a 27-2 record and won the 1968 national championship, two Big Ten titles and played in two Rose Bowls. The Oakland Raiders selected him in the first round of the 1971 NFL Draft. In his nine-year career, he was named to the Pro Bowl three times and was a member of the 1976 Super Bowl champion Raiders. He was inducted into the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 1981 and the College Football Hall of Fame in 2004.

steve tovar

LINEBACKER 1989-92



Steve Tovar was another in the great line of Ohio State linebackers. A two-time All-America selection in 1991 and 1992, he had the distinction of being the first of 21 players recruited by John Cooper to earn All-America status at Ohio State. Tovar led Ohio State in tackles for three consecutive seasons (1990-92), one of only two Buckeyes ever to accomplish that feat. In his senior year, Tovar was elected team co-captain and earned Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year honors (selected by the conference coaches) after recording 128 tackles. A three-time all-Big Ten selection, Tovar ranked fourth in school history with 414 total tackles and 239 solo tackles. The Elyria, Ohio, native was a third-round selection of the Cincinnati Bengals in the 1993 NFL Draft. After playing eight years in the NFL, Tovar began a career in college coaching. He was elected to the Ohio State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2001.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks
1989	12	27	37	64	3-3	0
1990	12	78	47	125	6.5-30	3.0-22
1991	12	61	36	97	8.5-21	1.0-8
1992	12	73	55	128	17-33	3.0-14
TOTAL	48	239	175	414	35-87	7.0-44

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mike vrabel

DEFENSIVE END 1993-96



Mike Vrabel, a two-time All-America selection, made his mark as one of the most tenacious and feared pass rushers in Ohio State history. He owned every OSU season and career sack record. In 1996, he set a single-season school record with 13 sacks for minus 101 yards. His 36 career sacks for minus 245 yards were also Buckeye standards. Vrabel finished as OSU's all-time career leader in tackles for loss with 66. In his junior and senior years, Vrabel was named the Big Ten Conference's Defensive Lineman of the Year. He also was a three-time first team all-Big Ten selection. Vrabel helped lead the 1996 Buckeyes to national rankings of No. 2 against the pass, No. 3 in scoring defense and No. 7 in total defense. The Akron, Ohio, native was a third-round selection by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the 1997 NFL Draft. His 11-year pro career to date includes three Super Bowl championships with the New England Patriots and a Pro Bowl selection.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks
1993	12	6	3	9	2-8	2.0
1994	13	43	25	68	20-101	12.0
1995	13	44	19	63	26-133	13.0
1996	12	37	19	56	18-107	9.0
TOTAL	50	130	66	196	66-349	36.0

dan wilkinson

DEFENSIVE TACKLE 1992-93



Dan Wilkinson played just two years of football for Ohio State, but in those two seasons he established himself as one of the best defensive linemen ever to wear the Scarlet and Gray. Redshirted as a true freshman in 1991, the 6-5, 300-pound Wilkinson, known as "Big Daddy," started as a sophomore in 1992 and won all-Big Ten honors. Blessed with an incredible combination of size, strength and speed, he finished his rookie year with 46 tackles, including 10.5 tackles for loss and 6.5 sacks. As a junior in 1993, Wilkinson was the dominant defensive linemen in college football, winding up the year with 44 tackles and 13 tackles for loss. No one could block him one-on-one. At season's end, he again won all-Big Ten laurels and was a consensus All-America pick. The Cincinnati Bengals made him the first selection in the NFL draft in April, 1994. The Dayton, Ohio, native played 13 seasons in the NFL.

CAREER STATISTICS

Year	GP	Solo	Ast.	Total	TFL-Yds.	Sacks
1992	12	26	20	46	10.5-83	6.5
1993	12	27	17	44	13-51	2.0
TOTAL	24	53	37	90	23.5-103	8.5

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Earle Bruce
Lou Holtz
John Cooper

POSITION

Head Coach
Head Coach
Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Assistant Coach
Head Coach
Assistant Coach
Head Coach

YEARS AT OSU YEAR INDUCTED

1910 1951
1913-28 1954
1934-40 1971
1929-61 1972
1951-78 1983
1941 1989
1951-54 1988
1979-1987 2002
1968 2008
1988-2000 2008

ROSE BOWL HALL OF FAME

Name

Rose Bowl Year(s)

Fred "Curly" Morrison 1950
Woody Hayes 1955, '58, '69, '71, '73, '74, '75, '76
Archie Griffin 1973, '74, '75, '76
Rex Kern 1969, '71
Pete Johnson 1974, 75, 76

GTE/COSIDA ACADEMIC HALL OF FAME

Randy Gradishar (1971-73) Inducted in 1992

walk-on

[TRADITION]



During his stay at Ohio State, Jim Tressel has developed a number of exceptional players including nine major award winners and 19 first-team All-Americans. But Tressel is equally proud of the walk-on program at Ohio State, which affords players the opportunity to play at the major college level and, in many cases, realize their dreams of playing for the Buckeyes.

The limitation of scholarships at the Division I-A level has made the walk-on program a vital part of the Buckeyes' success.

While the contributions of walk-ons often times go unnoticed by the fans, the Ohio State coaching staff has a deep appreciation of their talent and work ethic. It is the job of the walk-ons, most of which labor in obscurity as a member of the scout team, to help prepare their teammates for Saturday's games. Without those walk-ons going through the daily grind of practice, the Buckeyes would not have enjoyed the success they have experienced during the Tressel era.

Walk-ons come to Ohio State with nothing more than an opportunity. Many have converted that opportunity into scholarships and some have gone on to play in the NFL or have attended graduate school. All of them have benefited from the experience and the chance to run out on to the field at Ohio Stadium wearing the Scarlet and Gray.



Andy Groom



Antonio Smith

NOTABLE WALK-ONS AT OHIO STATE UNDER JIM TRESSEL

ANDY GROOM.....P

Four-year letter winner (1999-2002) ... converted to scholarship in 2001 ... won first-team All-Big Ten and All-America honors in 2002 ... led Big Ten in punting in 2002.

MIKE KNE.....OG

Two-year letterman for the Buckeyes (2003-04) ... converted to scholarship in 2003 ... played extensively in 2003 and started all 12 games in 2004.

DREW NORMAN.....LS

Walked-on in 2002, but did not play in either 2003 or 2004 ... took over as the starter in 2005 and was converted to scholarship following the season opener against Miami in 2005 ... earned his first letter in 2005.

RYAN PRETORIUS.....PK

Lou Groza Award semifinalist in 2007 as the Buckeyes' regular kicker ... connected on 18 field goals and 48 PAT for the Big Ten outright champions ... originally walked on in 2004 ... saw action in two games in 2005 ... played a solid role in 2006, kicking off 19 times and making a 52-yard field goal ... former rugby player from South Africa

ANTONIO SMITH.....CB

Three year letterwinner... was converted to scholarship spring of 2006... started at corner during the 2006 season... won first-team All-Big Ten honors and was a finalist for the Thorpe award in 2006.

TYLER WHALEY.....FB

Joined the team in 2003 as a walk-on ... Saw his first action in 2005 as a backup center ... played in six games during the 2006 season... moved to fullback in spring 2007... won BoRein Most Inspirational award from teammates... Big Ten Scholar-Athlete.

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[STADIUM]

» Ohio State heads into the 2008 season with a string of 41 consecutive crowds of **100,000** or larger in Ohio Stadium.

» Ohio Stadium is one of the most recognizable landmarks in all of sports. Built in 1922 at a cost of \$1.3 million and refurbished in 2001 for slightly more than \$194 million, the horseshoe-shaped stadium is a monument to college football. As part of the renovation, the once portable South Stands became a permanent fixture.

Ohio Stadium is listed in the National Registry of Historic Places. Anyone who has seen a game in the giant horseshoe understands why. There are few experiences in athletics that are more enjoyable!

QUICK FACTS

Built 1922
Architect Howard Dwight Smith
Cost \$1.3 million
First Game Ohio Wesleyan, Oct. 7, 1922
Dedication Game Michigan, Oct. 21, 1922
Original Capacity 66,210
Present Capacity 102,329
Largest Crowd 105,708 vs. Michigan, 2006

Artificial Turf Installed 1970, 2007
Grass Surface Installed 1990
Renovation 1999-2001
Re-dedication Akron, 2001
Stadium Circumference 2,892 sq. ft.
Stadium Length 919 feet
Stadium Width 679 feet
Stadium Acreage 14.5 acres
Stadium Height 136 feet

Height of Press Box Roof from field 183 feet
Seats in "A" Deck 27,192
Seats in "AA" Deck 8,318
Seats in "B" Deck 10,718
Seats in "C" Deck 30,878
Seats in "D" Deck 2,459
Seats in 81 Hospitality Suites 1,062
Seats in South Stands 17,248
All-Time Won-Loss Record 379-105-20

les wexner

FOOTBALL COMPLEX

[AT THE WOODY HAYES ATHLETIC CENTER]



When the Woody Hayes Athletic Center was dedicated in 1987, it was one of the most extensive indoor facilities of its kind. Now, nearly 20 years later, a \$19.5 million facelift is complete. The recent enhancements to the building solidify the Buckeyes' football practice facility as **ONE OF THE NATION'S BEST**.



STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

More than 13,000 square feet of state of the art equipment and an 1,800-square foot second story cardio fitness area.



HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

Renovated team meeting rooms and coaching offices, which incorporates state-of-the-art technology systems.

New locker rooms

New Instructional areas

New medical treatment areas

New equipment room

New strength training area

An entry lobby at the northeast corner of the building has been added that highlights Ohio State's football tradition. Recruits will pass through the lobby en route to a new second-story players' lounge, which overlooks the strength training area. The centerpiece of the lobby is a lighted "championship wall" celebrating Ohio State's national championship teams.

» All **33,000** square feet of the original facility has been renovated, while an additional **52,700** square feet was added **taking the overall square footage to 85,700.**



les wexner

FOOTBALL COMPLEX

[AT THE WOODY HAYES ATHLETIC CENTER]



PLAYERS' LOUNGE

A new 3,700-square foot players' lounge, including a study room with the latest in computer technology.



LOBBY

A 2,400-square foot lobby provides a distinctive entry for the football complex complete with a championship wall, memorabilia displays and a small theatre for the public that provides highlights of Ohio State football, both past and present.

TEAM LOCKER ROOM

The team locker room has been fully renovated and updated with new lockers for each of the players.

OFFICES

The coaches and support staff will benefit from approximately 7,500 square feet of office space.

HYDROTHERAPY POOLS

The hydrotherapy pool area with three pools, including a polar-plunge pool, a thermal-plunge pool and a large therapy pool, complete with the latest video technology.

OTHER AMENITIES

An indoor racquetball court and half-basketball court were also included in the facility upgrade.





[OHIO STATE]
game day



Game Day at Ohio State is a unique experience, both for the players and the many fans that converge on Columbus to see their Buckeyes play.



There's the **TEAM WALK** from the Blackwell Hotel to Ohio Stadium, amidst a sea of scarlet and gray clad fans.



The Buckeyes **STOP AT ST. JOHN ARENA**, receiving a rousing welcome from the Ohio State Marching Band and a standing room only crowd of more than 10,000.



[OHIO STATE] game day



As game time nears, the **BUCKEYE FAITHFUL** pour through the Ohio Stadium portals in anticipation of the Band's traditional ramp entrance and the ever-popular **SCRIPT OHIO**.



When the sousaphone player **DOTS THE "I"** every fan is standing and cheering.

Ohio State has ranked in the **TOP 4 NATIONALLY** in total and per game average attendance in each of the past 5 seasons.

HOME GAME ATTENDANCE

for the last five years

Date	Opponent	Result	Attendance
9/1/07	Youngstown State	W 38-6	105,038
9/8/07	Akron	W 20-2	104,317
9/22/07	Northwestern	W 58-7	105,178
10/13/07	Kent State	W 48-3	105,051
10/20/07	Michigan State	W 24-17	105,287
11/3/07	Wisconsin	W 38-16	105,449
11/10/07	Illinois	L 21-28	105,453
Total for 7 games			735,773

Date	Opponent	Result	Attendance
9/2/06	Northern Illinois	W 35-12	103,896
9/16/06	Cincinnati	W 37-7	105,037
9/23/06	Penn State	W 28-6	105,266
10/7/06	Bowling Green	W 35-7	105,057
10/21/06	Indiana	W 44-3	105,267
10/28/06	Minnesota	W 44-0	105,443
11/18/06	Michigan	W 42-39	105,708
Total for 7 games			735,674

9/3/05	Miami (OH)	W 34-14	104,695
9/10/05	Texas	L 25-22	105,565
9/17/05	San Diego State	W 27-6	104,533
9/24/05	Iowa	W 31-6	105,225
10/15/04	Michigan State	W 35-24	105,122
11/5/05	Illinois	W 40-2	104,799
11/12/05	Northwestern	W 48-7	105,181
Total for 7 games			735,120

9/4/04	Cincinnati	W 27-6	104,604
9/11/04	Marshall	W 24-21	104,622
10/9/04	Wisconsin	L 24-13	105,090
10/23/04	Indiana	W 30-7	104,538
10/30/04	Penn State	W 21-10	104,947
11/20/04	Michigan	W 37-21	105,456
Total for 6 games			629,257

8/30/03	Washington	W 28-9	105,078
9/6/03	San Diego State	W 16-13	104,433
9/13/03	North Carolina State	W 44-38	104,890
9/20/03	Bowling Green	W 24-17	104,358
9/27/03	Northwestern	W 20-0	104,680
10/18/03	Iowa	W 19-10	105,044
11/8/03	Michigan State	W 33-23	105,194
11/15/03	Purdue	W 16-13	105,286
Total for 8 games			838,963



>> Once the team takes the field and the **OPENING KICKOFF** sails through the air, the excitement only intensifies as the fans cheer the Buckeyes on to yet another thrilling victory.



When the game ends, the coaches and players gather in front of the south stands where the band plays **Carmen Ohio**, the school's alma mater, and the players, coaches and fans sing along. It is a moving end to an exciting day; a day that makes autumn in Columbus a very special time of the year.

[OHIO STATE] game day







BEST FANS

in the land





[OHIO STATE] traditions

»» BRUTUS BUCKEYE

One of the more visible symbols of Ohio State athletics is Brutus Buckeye, the school's mascot. In 1965, an art student designed and introduced the first Brutus, while the name was chosen in a contest. The mascot began as a hardened paper mache affair that looked like a bowling ball with legs. In 1975, a radical new Brutus was designed with a prune-like head and a man's body. That attempt was booed off the field and was re-worked, giving way to a mascot comparable to the beloved present-day Brutus.

The original choices for Ohio State's mascot included a ram, an elk, a moose and the leading candidate, a male deer. Due to the skittish nature of deer, the idea of a mascot was tabled until January 1941 when "Chris," a German police dog owned by an assistant cheerleader, made an appearance at a basketball game. The dog's career was short-lived and OSU remained without an official mascot until the 1960s.

»» BUCKEYE LEAVES

A round white decal, about the size of a quarter, with a green depiction of a buckeye leaf is applied to Ohio State football helmets for big plays and consistency on the field. This tradition started in 1968 when football coach Woody Hayes and longtime trainer Ernie Biggs changed the look of the Ohio State uniforms. Many of the sports at Ohio State incorporate Buckeye Leaves into their equipment and uniforms.

»» SCRIPT OHIO

The signature formation of the Ohio State Marching Band performed before, during halftime or after home football games is Script Ohio.

Each time the formation drill is performed, a different fourth- or fifth-year sousaphone player has the privilege of standing as the dot in the "i" of "Ohio."

At exactly 16 measures from the end of "Le Regiment," the drum major struts out toward the top of the "i," with a senior sousaphone player high-stepping a couple of paces behind. As the crowd's cheering crescendos, the drum major stops and dramatically points to the spot where the sousaphone player then assumes the post of honor, doffs his or her hat and bows deeply to both sides of the stadium.

Woody Hayes, Bob Hope and Jack Nicklaus are among the select few non-band members who have had the honor of dotting the "i." First performed at the OSU-Pitt football game Oct. 10, 1936, Script Ohio was named one of Athlon Sports' 10 Greatest Football Traditions in 1999.

» SCARLET AND GRAY

Ohio State's official school colors since 1878, scarlet and gray were chosen by a group of three students in a lecture room in University Hall because "it was a pleasing combination ... and had not been adopted by any other college," noted selection committee member Alice Townshend Wing.

» TBDBITL

"The Best Damn Band in the Land" is the 225-member, all-brass Ohio State Marching Band that formed in 1879 as a military band. Also known as "The Pride of the Buckeyes," the band perhaps is best known for the incomparable Script Ohio. Another band tradition of note is the "skull session," a warmup concert/pep rally in St. John Arena, open to the public before every home football game that allows the band to play and "think through" the show one last time. More than 10,000 fans regularly attend each skull session.

» CHEERLEADERS

Buckeye cheerleaders are a constant source of support at all athletics events. The squad took second at the 2001 College Cheerleading National Championship, its highest finish since winning the 1993 title, and has placed first in the east region in 15 of the last 18 years. The squad was sixth in 2005. The cheerleaders make appearances all over the state of Ohio throughout the year.

SCHOOL SONGS

Ohio State proudly boasts an alma mater (Carmen Ohio), two fight songs (Across the Field and Buckeye Battle Cry) and a state rock song (Hang on Sloopy).

BUCKEYE BATTLE CRY

In old Ohio there's a team
that's known thru-out the land;
Eleven warriors, brave and bold,
whose fame will ever stand.
And when the ball goes over,
our cheers will reach the sky,
Ohio field will hear again
The Buckeye Battle Cry –

Drive! Drive on down the field,
Men of the scarlet and gray;
Don't let them thru that line,
We have to win this game today,
Come on, Ohio!
Smash through to victory.
We cheer you as you go:
Our honor defend
We will fight to the end for O-hi-o.

ACROSS THE FIELD

Fight the team across the field,
show them Ohio's here
Set the earth reverberating
with a mighty cheer Rah! Rah! Rah!
Hit them hard and see how they fall;
Never let that team get the ball,
Hail! Hail! the gang's all here,
So let's win that old conference now.

» carmen ohio

Oh! Come let's sing Ohio's praise,
And songs to Alma Mater raise;
While our hearts rebounding thrill,
With joy which death alone can still.
Summer's heat or Winter's cold.
The seasons pass, the years will roll;
Time and change will surely show
How firm thy friendship O-hi-o.



[FOOTBALL] traditions

>> TUNNEL OF PRIDE

The brainchild of ex-OSU quarterback Rex Kern and former Director of Athletics Andy Geiger, the Tunnel of Pride actually started in 1995, when Notre Dame visited Ohio Stadium for the first meeting between the two teams in nearly 50 years. In an effort to generate even more emotion, excitement and enthusiasm than already existed, Kern and Geiger reached out to former Buckeye football players who were attending the game and asked them to form a tunnel for the team to run through as it came onto the field. Thus a tradition was born, which is now continued every other year when Michigan visits Ohio Stadium.

VICTORY BELL

- >> Located in the southeast tower of Ohio Stadium, the Victory Bell is rung after every Ohio State victory. It was a gift of the classes of 1943, 1944 and 1945. Resting 150-feet up in the southeast tower, members of Alpha Phi Omega ring the bell after victories, a tradition that began after OSU beat California Oct. 2, 1954. On a calm day, it is said the bell can be heard five miles away. The bell weighs 2,420 pounds and cost \$2,535 to install.

GOLD PANTS

- >> A gold charm replica of a pair of football pants is given to players and coaches following wins over Michigan. The tradition started in 1934 when first-year coach Francis Schmidt told those wondering how OSU would fare with its nemesis from Ann Arbor: "They put their pants on one leg at a time just like everybody else." Schmidt's Buckeyes then went and defeated Michigan four-consecutive times, all by shutout.



BUCKEYE GROVE

- >> Since 1934, a Buckeye tree has been planted in honor of each of Ohio State's All-American. Trees are usually planted in a pregame ceremony at the spring game. With the renovation of Ohio Stadium in 2001, the Buckeye Grove is now located at the southwest corner of the stadium.

CAPTAINS' BREAKFAST

- >> Started in 1934, this annual event is held on homecoming weekend. All past captains are invited back for a breakfast and to welcome in the new captains.

BLOCK O

- >> An Ohio State University and Ohio Stadium tradition, Block "O" is celebrated its 65th anniversary last year. Known for spreading spirit, starting cheers and performing card stunts, Block "O" was founded in 1938 by Clancy Isaac. After seeing a cheering section at the University of Southern California, Isaac decided that it was something Ohio State needed. Sixty-six years later, Block "O" is Ohio State's largest student organization on campus and has gained local and national recognition.





» THE ILLIBUCK TROPHY

The winner of the Ohio State – Illinois game has received the Illibuck trophy since the tradition began in 1925. Illibuck was a live turtle, but has been a wooden replica since 1927. Also representative of the rivalry is the peace pipe. Members of two junior honorary societies, Bucket and Dipper of Ohio State and Sachem of Illinois, annually meet at halftime of the Fighting Illini-Buckeye game to smoke the peace pipe and present the “Illibuck” trophy to the winning school from the previous year.

» SENIOR TACKLE

A last practice of the year tradition since 1913 where the seniors hit the blocking sled one final time. For many years it was held following the last practice prior to the season finale with Michigan. But depending upon the Buckeyes’ bowl obligation, it has sometimes been moved to the last home practice before the team departs for its bowl obligation.

» HOMECOMING

First recognized in 1912, Homecoming began as “Ohio State Day.” It was initiated by Professor (and later OSU President) George W. Rightmire. Homecoming was designed to bring the alumni back to the university and celebrate.

The celebration has been noted, among other things, for the decorating of Greek chapter facilities and university dormitories.

The parade is another tradition Buckeyes’ hold high. The parade did not become a time-honored tradition until it joined the schedule permanently in 1965.

In 1926, student supporters wishing to pull a practical joke on the university, convinced the community that Maudine Ormsby was to be honored as queen. She was so popular on campus, she won the vote. Maudine actually turned out to be a cow, the only cow ever elected as homecoming queen.



THE MICHIGAN GAME

The annual Ohio State-Michigan football game was No. 1 on a list of the **10 Greatest Rivalries In Sports** compiled by the editorial staff at ESPN.com in 1999. There simply is no greater rivalry in college athletics.





[THE GREATEST]
rivalry
IN ALL OF SPORTS

2006 - No. 1 Ohio State 42, No. 2 Michigan 39



» The annual game between the two teams has been held at the end of the regular season every year since 1935. The game has directly affected the conference championship on 20 different occasions since that time. For the first time in its history, **the 2006 matchup featured the nation's top two teams** with the winner guaranteed a spot in the National Championship game. Ohio State won by a score of 42-39 in Ohio Stadium.



[OHIO STATE MICHIGAN] rivalry



The football **rivalry** between The Ohio State University and University of Michigan is one of the greatest rivalries in college football, and is among **the fiercest in all of sports**. ESPN ranked the matchup the Greatest Sports Rivalry in a 2000 poll. In honor of the 100th meeting between the schools in 2003, a member of the U.S. House of Representatives proposed a resolution to recognize Ohio State/Michigan as the greatest rivalry in sports history.





[OHIO STATE FOOTBALL] spring game



/76,346/

SPRING GAME ATTENDANCE RECORD SET IN 2008



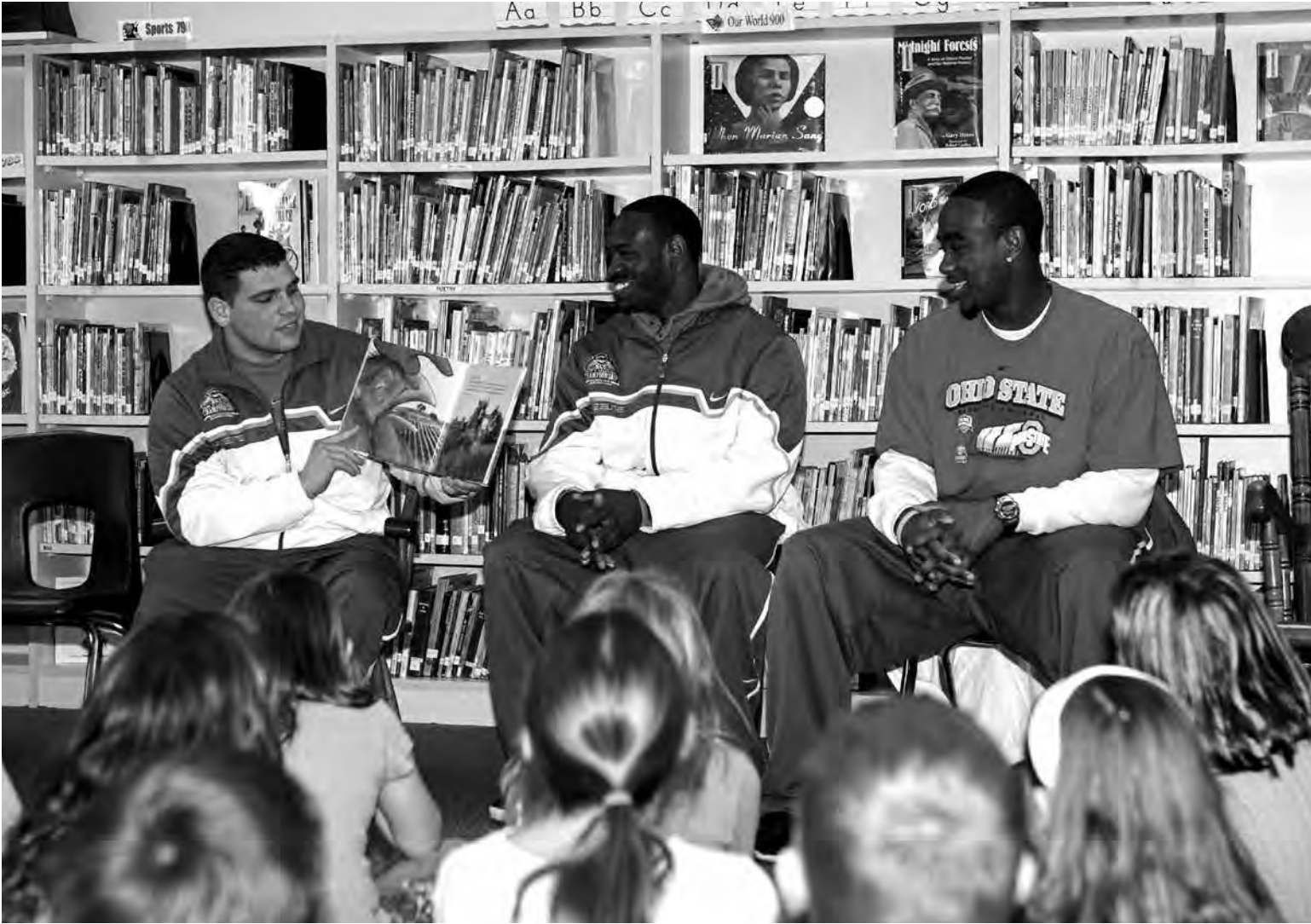
SPRING GAME ATTENDANCE FOR LAST FIVE YEARS

2008	76,346
2007	75,301
2006	63,649
2005	33,418
2004	45,074



[COMMUNITY] outreach

"You can never pay back, but you can always **PAY FORWARD.**" – Woody Hayes

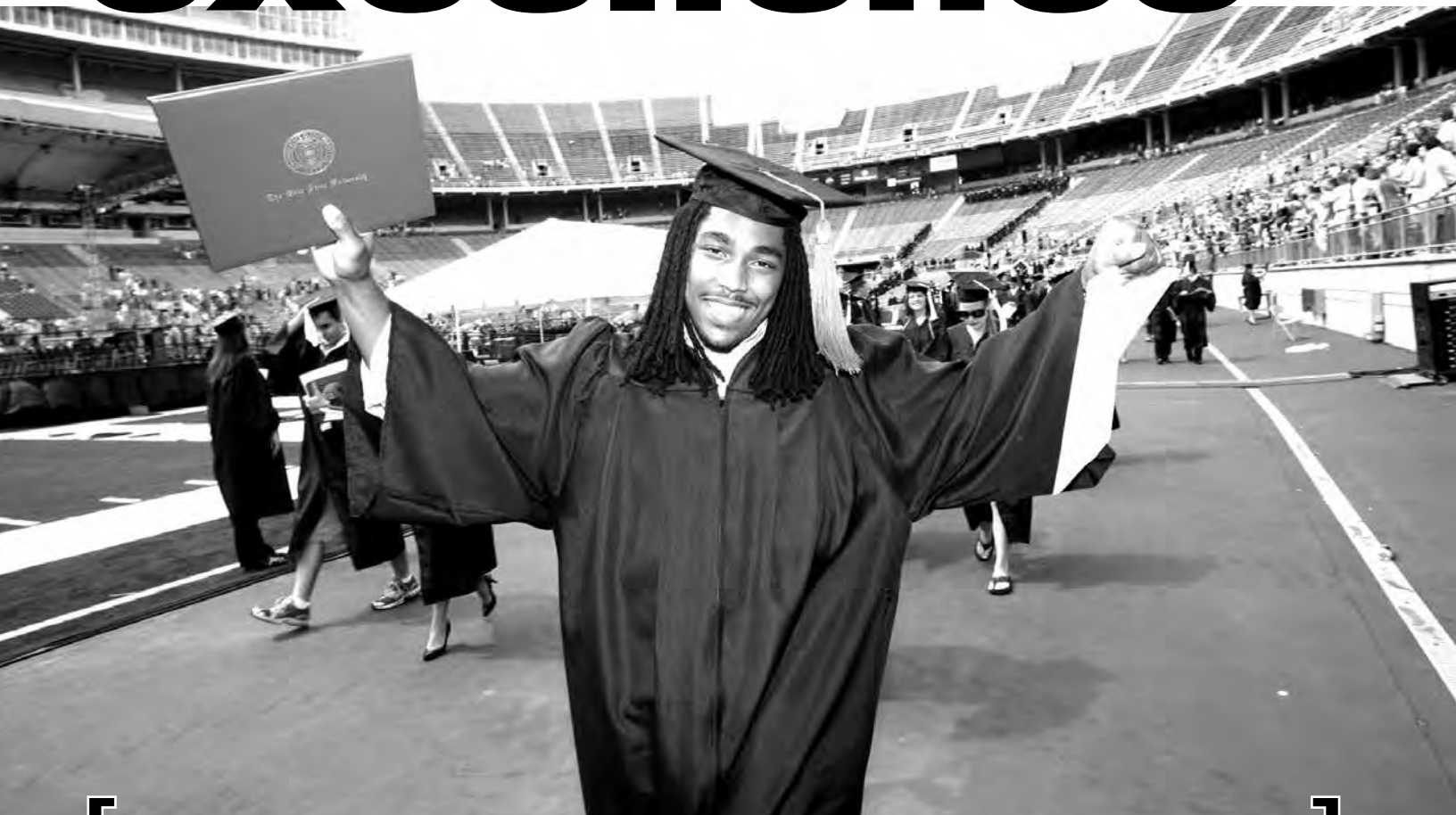


Each year, Ohio State Buckeye football student-athletes spend hundreds of hours **"paying forward"** through various activities and events in the Columbus community.

- During the 2005-06 academic year 50 or more Ohio State football team members participated in 75 community outreach events sponsored by over 40 different organizations
- During the 2006-07 academic year 70 or more Ohio State football team members participated in **100 community outreach events** sponsored by over 50 different organizations
- These events include reading to elementary school students, visiting with patients in hospitals and rehabilitation facilities, offering advice to middle school students and numerous other activities.



[ACADEMIC] excellence



The Buckeyes have led the conference in **All Big-Ten Academic Team Honorees** for the past six years.

2002.....	27
2003.....	21
2004.....	22
2005.....	18
2006.....	23
2007.....	24





ohio state SCHOLAR-ATHLETES

2001.....	24
2002.....	28
2003.....	41
2004.....	43
2005.....	44
2006.....	46
2007.....	54
2008.....	45

*Scholar Athlete status is achieved by maintaining above a 3.0 cumulative GPA through the first two quarters of each academic year.



[THE CITY OF] columbus



» Columbus, the largest city in Ohio, is the 15th largest city in the country. The state capital, Columbus continues to enjoy widespread development. Recent growth includes two state-of-the-art multi-purpose arenas, OSU's Jerome Schottenstein Center and Nationwide Arena, and the relocation of Ohio's Center of Science & Industry to its new home on the Scioto Riverfront.

The heart of the city features visual and performing arts and numerous festivals including Red, White & Boom!, the Columbus Arts Festival and the Jazz & Rib Fest. The arts festival was named first in the nation for its crafts and fifth in the country in fine arts by Sunshine Artist magazine.

A flood of new entertainment acts and shopping districts, a unique partnership between professional and collegiate sports teams and a major expansion of its convention center make Columbus one of the fastest growing cities in the Midwest. Recently, Nation's Restaurant News named Columbus one of the Top 50 cities across the country that "sizzle."

The area also features a number of unique neighborhoods. German Village, just south of downtown, is the largest privately-restored historical district in the United States. Brick streets are lined with shops and restaurants and are home to the city's annual Oktoberfest celebration.

Just north of downtown, the Short North Arts District features scores of art galleries, restaurants and boutiques. On the first Saturday of each month, the galleries stay open late for the popular Gallery Hop. The Brewery District, south of downtown, and the Arena District, north of the city's center, continue to grow in popularity. New additions in the Arena District include Lifestyle Communities Pavilion, an intimate indoor and outdoor concert venue, and the Arena Grand Theatre, a state-of-the-art motion picture theatre that offers moviegoers a whole new experience.

Shopping opportunities abound in and around Columbus. The city was ranked seventh in the nation by the National Research Bureau for the amount of retail space per person, ranking ahead of New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Miami and Boston. Those rankings do not include the newest shopping areas – The North District at Easton Town Center and Polaris Fashion Place.

Easton Town Center on the northeast side features hundreds of shops, restaurants and nightclubs, including the AMC Easton 30, the Cheesecake Factory and GameWorks. Polaris Fashion Place on the north side includes 50 retailers new to the area. Columbus downtown and the Mall at Tuttle Crossing on the northwest side also feature hundreds of shops and restaurants.

Columbus also features a stable economy with low unemployment and headquarters of major businesses, including Nationwide Insurance, Wendy's International and The Limited. The Greater Columbus area also is home to no fewer than 15 colleges and universities, including OSU, Columbus State Community College, Ohio Dominican College and Capital and Franklin universities.

>> INTERESTING FACTS

- Columbus is Ohio's capital and largest city (50states.com)
- The capitol building was completed and opened to the public Jan. 7, 1857 after 18 years of construction (usacitiesonline.com)
- Around 1900, Columbus became known as the Arch City. This was because of the dozens of arches that were above High Street. The arches were torn down and replaced with cluster lights in 1914, but were reconstructed in the Short North district in 2002 for their unique historical interest (usacitiesonline.com, wikipedia.org)
- Money Magazine rated Columbus as the eighth best city in the United States to live in.
- Residents of Columbus are usually referred to as Columbusites
- Organic Gardening magazine (June/July 2006) named Columbus a "Great Garden City". There are more than 60 community gardens, as well as many farmers markets featuring local foods.
- Columbus has seven sister cities, as designated by Sister Cities International. Columbus established its first Sister City relationship in 1955 with Genoa, Italy. To commemorate this relationship, Columbus received a bronze statue of Christopher Columbus as a gift from the city of Genoa. The statue, sculpted by artist Edoardo Alfieri, overlooks Broad Street in front of Columbus City Hall.
- People from nearly 100 different countries come to Columbus to receive an education or to live.
- Columbus was voted the No. 2 city in the U.S. for singles by America Online.
- Columbus is the best city in the Midwest for small businesses and the No. 1 city for African-American families.
- Ohio is the 34th largest state in size and the 7th most populated state
- Eight presidents called Ohio home: William Henry Harrison, Hiram Ulysses Grant, Rutherford Birchard Hayes, James Abram Garfield, Benjamin Harrison, William McKinley, William Howard Taft and Warren Gamaliel Harding.
- 50 percent of the U.S. lives within a 500 mile radius of Columbus (50states.com)

>> A TRUE SPORTS TOWN

Columbus is fast becoming a sports capital of the Midwest with something for every fan.

- The Ohio State Buckeyes
- Columbus Blue Jackets, National Hockey League
- Columbus Crew, Major League Soccer
- Columbus Clippers, Triple A Affiliate of the Washington Nationals
- Columbus Destroyers, Arena Football League
- Columbus Junior Blue Jackets, United States Hockey League
- Columbus Comets, National Women's Football Association
- National Trail Raceway
- Columbus Motor Speedway
- Mid-Ohio Sports Car course
- The Memorial Tournament, Professional Golfers' Association
- Nationwide Children's Hospital Invitational, Nationwide Tour, Ohio State University Scarlet Course
- Arnold Schwarzenegger Fitness Weekend
- More than 70 golf courses
- Beulah Park and Scioto Downs
- Griggs Reservoir



NOTED AS AMERICA'S
PREMIER INLAND
CITY OF EXCELLENCE,
COLUMBUS, OHIO,
HAS MANY SERVICES
TO OFFER

Columbus is listed as one of the **BEST METRO AREAS FOR THE ARTS** by Places Rated Almanac.

- Columbus Symphony Orchestra
- Six downtown theatres including the Ohio, Palace and Southern
- BalletMet
- Opera Columbus
- Columbus Association for the Performing Arts (CAPA)
- Broadway in Columbus
- Columbus Museum of Art
- Wexner Center for the Arts
- King Arts Complex
- Short North Arts District
- CATCO theater troupe
- Music in the Air programs
- Jazz Arts Group



"With time comes change. It is Ohio State's time to be the university of the American dream, an institution worthy of public trust, and the front door to Ohio's future."

—E. Gordon Gee, Ohio State's 14th (and 11th) president

Founded in 1870 as the state's land-grant institution, The Ohio State University consistently ranks among our nation's top public research universities, integrating teaching and learning with research and community service. A research powerhouse with global reach, Ohio State's Columbus campus has the nation's largest single-campus enrollment of 52,568 students (60,347 on all campuses). One university with multiple locations throughout Ohio—main campus in Columbus; regional campuses in Lima, Mansfield, Marion, and Newark; and the Agricultural Technical Institute and Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center in Wooster—Ohio State is home to the best and the brightest.

the ohio state

[UNIVERSITY]



» RISE AND SHINE

Ohio State ranks 19th among the nation's public universities, according to the *U.S. News & World Report's* 2008 edition of "America's Best Colleges." Ohio State is ranked 10th among national public universities based on research, social mobility, and service in the *Washington Monthly College Guide*.

BEST IN CLASS

Ohio State's 2007 first-year class of 6,110 students (Columbus campus), recruited from more than 22,000 applicants, is the most academically prepared in the university's history, with an average ACT score of 27. Fifty-three percent of the students were in the top 10 percent and 89 percent were in the top 25 percent of their graduating classes. [undergrad. osu.edu/classreport](http://osu.edu/classreport)

THE AMERICAN DREAM

Ohio State is committed to ensuring that all qualified students, regardless of income, can make the dream of college a reality. The university's Economic Access Initiative in the Office of Academic Affairs is committed to educating students and families about available resources for college-hopeful students. osu.edu/access

FRONT DOOR TO OHIO

In addition to being a major employer and producing the educated workers of Ohio's future, the university actively partners in research projects and business enterprises that enhance the state's prosperity. Ohio State has an annual statewide economic impact of some \$3.5 billion.

RESEARCH RECOGNITION

Ohio State now ranks seventh nationally among all public universities in research expenditures and second in industry-sponsored research, based on 2006 data. Ohio State's research expenditures currently total \$720 million. researchnews.osu.edu

IMPRESSIVE RETURNS

This academic year, 92.4 percent of last year's first-year students returned for their second year, well above the national average of 77.5 percent for comparable universities. Also, 89.3 percent of both first-year African American and first-year Hispanic students returned for their second years, both all-time highs.

GREAT GRAD PROGRAMS

According to the *U.S. News & World Report's* 2009 edition of "America's Best Graduate Schools," Ohio State offers some of the top graduate programs in Ohio and the nation, including nine graduate programs in the top five: vocational/ technical education, elementary education, counseling/personnel services (education), dispute resolution (law), pharmacy, industrial design, American politics, social psychology, and veterinary medicine.



[THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY]

board of trustees



G. GILBERT CLOYD
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ALEX SHUMATE
2012

G. Gilbert Cloyd, chairman of the board, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was appointed to the board of trustees in 2005. He is chief technology officer of Procter & Gamble and was born in East Cleveland, Ohio. He attended The Ohio State University and received his Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree in 1969. Following graduation, he entered a private veterinary practice in Chicago. He returned to Ohio State for some graduate work in veterinary pathology in 1971. He entered a private practice in Cincinnati in 1972 and began consulting work in toxicology, including work with P&G.

He joined Procter & Gamble full-time at their Miami Valley Innovation Center in 1974 in their Corporate Professional and Regulatory Services Division. From 1974-1978 he was responsible for the clinical pathology lab and toxicology programs for product safety. From 1978-1984 he continued responsibilities for product and environmental safety in the Packaged Soap and Detergent Division and Corporate organization. In 1984 he moved to Norwich, New York, and assumed responsibilities for Research & Development in their pharmaceuticals business. He moved into general management in 1989, and in 1991 was appointed vice president, assuming overall responsibility for their Global Pharmaceuticals business.

In 1997, Dr. Cloyd assumed responsibilities as vice president for Research & Development in Asia for P&G. He held that position until 2000, living in Kobe, Japan. He returned to Cincinnati in 2000 and assumed his current position, chief technology officer. In this capacity, he has overall functional responsibility for P&G's global Research & Development organization. This global organization numbers about 9,000 employees in 27 technical centers around the globe. The range of research involves chemistry, engineering, materials science, medicine, veterinary medicine, dentistry, biology including biotechnology, mathematics, robotics, nutrition, and electronics.

Gil lives with his wife, Susan, in Cincinnati. They have two children and seven grandchildren. He also serves on the Children's Hospital Medical Center Research and Education Committee.

Dimon R. McFerson, vice chairman, of Powell, Ohio, was appointed to the board in 2000, the same year he retired as chairman and CEO of Nationwide, based in Columbus, Ohio. McFerson joined Nationwide in 1979 as vice president of Internal Audits and was elected senior vice president of Finance in 1983, president of Nationwide Property & Casualty companies in 1987, and chief executive officer in 1992.

A Los Angeles native, Mr. McFerson is a 1959 graduate of UCLA and earned a master's degree from the University of Southern California in 1972. He is a certified public accountant (CPA) and holds a chartered life underwriter (CLU) professional designation. He was awarded honorary doctorates from Capital University, Ohio Dominican University, Otterbein College, and Franklin University.

He is past chairman of the United Way of America Board of Governors and past first vice chair of the American Red Cross Board of Governors. In the local community he is past board chair of the Center of Science and Industry (COSI), past vice chairman of The Columbus Foundation, and he serves locally as an elected member of the Olentangy Local School board in southern Delaware County. He served two years (1998-2000) as chair of the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. McFerson and his wife, Darlene, have lived in Ohio for 30 years and have 27 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Jo Ann Davidson was appointed as a member of the OSU board of trustees in 2001. No stranger to public service, Davidson is former Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives. Serving ten terms in the Ohio House of Representatives representing a portion of

Franklin County, Davidson was the first woman Speaker of the Ohio House, serving in that position from 1995 through 2000.

Davidson currently has her own consulting firm, JAD and Associates, in Columbus. In 2001, she served as interim director of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. Her public service career also included a 10-year stint as a member of City Council in Reynoldsburg, a suburb of Columbus, from 1968-1977.

Mrs. Davidson has received a number of honors for her service including induction into the Ohio Women's Hall of Fame in 1991, the YWCA Women of Achievement Award in 1992, the Good Housekeeping Award for Women in Government, and Governing Magazine's Public Official of the Year in 1999.

Davidson serves as co-chairman of the Republican National Committee and serves as a director of the Western & Southern Financial Group. Mrs. Davidson was awarded honorary doctorates from The Ohio State University, Ohio University, Franklin University and the University of Findlay.

Mrs. Davidson, who resides in Reynoldsburg, has two daughters, Julie and Jenifer, and four grandchildren.

John D. Ong, of Hudson, Ohio, was appointed to the board of trustees in December 2005, by Governor Bob Taft. John D. Ong was appointed by President George W. Bush as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States to the Kingdom of Norway in 2001. He served in this capacity until November 30, 2005.

Mr. Ong has had a long and distinguished record as a leader in the business community. Presently chairman emeritus of the B.F. Goodrich Company, he retired as chairman of the board of directors in 1997 after more than 36 years of service to the company. He held a variety of positions during his tenure at B.F. Goodrich, including vice-president and president of International B.F. Goodrich and President and chief operating officer. From 1979-1996, he served as chairman and chief executive officer. In 1984, President Reagan appointed Mr. Ong to the President's Commission on Industrial Competitiveness, where he served as co-chair of its International Trade Committee. He currently serves as senior visiting policy fellow at the Research Triangle Institute of Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

Mr. Ong has played a leadership role in a number of key organizations involved with education and business. He is a life trustee of the University of Chicago and is a trustee of the Musical Arts Association of Cleveland, Ohio (Cleveland Orchestra), the Fort Ligonier Association and a trustee emeritus of Western Reserve Academy in Hudson, Ohio. Mr. Ong is a leading advocate for business involvement in civic and cultural activities, both nationally and in northeast Ohio. He is a former chairman of the Business Roundtable, the National Alliance of Business, the Business Committee for the Arts, New American Schools, Inc., and the Ohio Business Roundtable. He was a member of The Business Council from 1989-2005. He is now a member of the Council of Retired Chief Executives and the Council of American Ambassadors. He has served as a director of seven S&P 500 companies. Mr. Ong is a recipient of the Humanities Award of Distinction from Ohio State University's College of Humanities, the Alumni Medal from Ohio State University, and honorary doctorates from Ohio State University, Kent State University, the University of Akron, and South Dakota State University. He was awarded the Grand Cross of the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit in November 2005.

A native of Ohio, Mr. Ong received both his undergraduate and master's degrees from Ohio State University and his law degree from Harvard University. Mr. Ong is married to Mary Lee Ong; they have three grown children.

Douglas G. Borror was appointed to the board of

trustees in 2002. Mr. Borror is chairman and chief executive officer of Dominion Homes, Inc., a Columbus-based homebuilder and developer. Dominion Homes is one of the largest homebuilding companies in Ohio and Kentucky.

Borror and his family also own BRC Properties, a holding company, which has substantial real estate holdings in the area, owns over 1000 apartments, and manages 2500 units in 21 properties in the Columbus area.

He is also very active in the business and charitable arenas of the Columbus community. He serves on the board of directors of Columbia Gas of Ohio, and Bancinsurance Corp. In addition, he sits on the board of directors for The Wellington School, Recreation Unlimited, and Capital South Redevelopment Corporation. He is past President of the Central Ohio Chapter of Young Presidents' Organization (YPO), former chairman of the East Central Region of YPO, and sat on the YPO International Board of Directors. Additionally, he is a licensed real estate broker and a member of the Columbus Board of Realtors.

A lifelong Central Ohio resident, Doug graduated from Upper Arlington High School and earned a bachelor of arts degree in history from The Ohio State University. He resides in Dublin, Ohio, with his wife, Kim, and his two children, Danielle and Donald.

Leslie H. Wexner, was appointed to the board of trustees in December 2005. He previously served on the Board from 1988-1997 and was chairman of the board from 1996-97.

Mr. Wexner, founder of Limited Brands, started the company in Columbus, Ohio, in 1963 with one store and first year sales of \$160,000.

Mr. Wexner serves as chairman, president and CEO of Limited Brands, which operates over 3,500 stores including Victoria's Secret, Bath & Body Works, C.O. Bigelow, Express, The Limited, White Barn Candle Co., and Henri Bendel. Sales for Limited Brands in 2005 were \$10 billion.

His areas of community interest include the Wexner Center for the Arts at The Ohio State University; the Wexner Institute for Pediatric Research at Children's Hospital, Columbus; the Martin Luther King Center for the Performing Arts, Columbus; and the Wexner Heritage Village. Mr. Wexner was a recipient of The Alexis de Tocqueville Society Award of the United Way of America, Woodrow Wilson Award for Citizenship, Ordre des arts et des lettres, Knight of the Italian Republic, and The American Jewish Committee Herbert H. Lehman Centennial Leadership Award. He was a founding member and the first chair of The Ohio State University Foundation.

Mr. Wexner is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences; member of the Visiting Committee of the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University; trustee of the Columbus Jewish Federation and Foundation; and chairman of The Columbus Partnership.

Mr. Wexner has a profound interest in the development of tomorrow's leaders through the works of the Fisher College of Business at The Ohio State University; Harvard University's Center for Public Leadership; and The Wexner Foundation.

Mr. Wexner holds a B.S. in Business Administration degree from The Ohio State University and honorary degrees from The Ohio State University, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Hofstra University, Marietta College, Hebrew Union College, The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Yeshiva University, and Brandeis University. Mr. Wexner was inaugurated by Harvard University into the Society of John Harvard Fellows, and serves as a visiting lecturer at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.

Mr. Wexner and his wife, Abigail, are the parents of four children.

Walden W. O'Dell, of Columbus, Ohio, was appointed by Governor Taft in 2003. He is former chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Diebold, Incorporated, a leading global provider of integrated financial self-service delivery systems, security and services.

Prior to joining Diebold, O'Dell held a series of high-level positions with Emerson Electric Co. He most recently served as president of Emerson's Ridge Tool division in Elyria, Ohio, while also serving as group vice president of the tool group of Emerson. During his 33-year career at Emerson, he ran operations on five continents including the manufacturing, distribution and sales of a variety of electronic equipment and service businesses. He has had experience in places as diverse as China, Malaysia, Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. He was president of the Liebert Corporation, a subsidiary of Emerson in Columbus, Ohio, where he led the transformation of the company from a \$400 million domestic hardware producer to a \$1.1 billion global leader in network computers and telecom support equipment and services.

O'Dell serves on the board of directors of the Columbus Association of Performing Arts (CAPA) and is a member of the board of trustees of the Ohio Foundation of Independent Colleges (OFIC). He formerly served on the boards of Lennox International Inc. of Richardson, Texas, and the United Way of Greater Stark County, and is a past member of the Ohio Business Roundtable and a past national trustee of Boys and Girls Clubs of America. He is a member of The Ohio State University Advocates and is a lifetime associate alumni of The Ohio State University. He is committed to excellence in education and is an active supporter of the University. A native of St. Louis, O'Dell earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from St. Louis University, where he finished first in his class in his senior year. He earned a master's degree in electrical engineering from St. Louis University with a 4.0 GPA, before earning another master's degree in business administration from Stanford University, where he finished in the top 10 percent of his class and majored in finance and international business.

Mr. O'Dell's wife, Patricia, graduated from St. Louis University with a bachelor of arts in Sociology. She is on the board of Opera Columbus. Both Mr. and Mrs. O'Dell are actively involved in several Ohio charitable organizations. The O'Dells have four children ranging in age from 27 to 38 and four grandchildren.

Alex Shumate was appointed to the board of trustees in May 2006. He previously served on the board from 1989-1998 and was chairman of the board from 1997-98. Mr. Shumate is managing partner of the Columbus Office of the international law firm of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and the partner-in-charge of the firm's Legislative Counseling and Administrative Law Practice Group. He is consistently selected by his peers for inclusion in the annual Best Lawyers in America and as an Ohio Super Lawyer.

Mr. Shumate serves as a director of Nationwide Financial Services, the Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company and Cincinnati Bell, Inc. He is president of The Limited Brands Foundation Board, secretary of The Columbus Partnership, and director of The John Glenn Institute and the Columbus Downtown Development Corporation. He previously served as the chair of the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce, the Columbus Urban League Board, The Arthur G. James Cancer Hospital and Richard J. Solove Research Institute Board, and The Capital Club.

He received his B.A. from Ohio Wesleyan University and his J.D. from the University of Akron. Before joining Squire, Sanders he served as chief counsel and deputy chief of staff to the Governor of the State of Ohio and as assistant attorney general, State of Ohio. Mr. Shumate has been honored by organizations including the Columbus Bar Association, the United



BRIAN K. HICKS
2013



JACK FISHER
2013



ROBERT H. SCHOTTENSTEIN
2014



ALAN BRASS
2014



ALGENON L. MARBLEY
2016



RONALD A. RATNER
2015



DEBRA J. VAN CAMP
2009 STUDENT MEMBER



JASON W. MARION
2010 STUDENT MEMBER

Negro College Fund, the NAACP, the Ohio General Assembly, Capital University School of Law, and The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law. In 2007, he received the Columbus Award, the most prestigious award given by the Columbus Chamber, for outstanding business and community leadership. In 2003, he was named Humanitarian of the Year by the American Red Cross.

He is also a recipient of The Ohio State University Distinguished Service Award, the John B. Gerlach, Sr. Development Volunteer Award from The Ohio State University Foundation, the Jewish National Fund Tree of Life Award, the Robert S. Crane Trusteeship Award from Leadership Columbus, the Outstanding Alumni Award from the University of Akron School of Law, and was named a Distinguished Alumnus by Ohio Wesleyan University.

Mr. Shumate resides in Gahanna with his wife Renee and he has two sons, John Alexander and Aaron Michael.

Brian K. Hicks was appointed to the board of trustees by Governor Bob Taft in 2004. He is president and CEO of Hicks Partners, LLC, a strategic communications firm providing public relations, government affairs, business and economic development services to corporate and nonprofit clients.

Prior to forming Hicks Partners in 2003, Hicks served in a number of positions in state and federal government. He served as chief of staff for the governor of Ohio, Ohio deputy secretary of state and as senior legislative assistant to a member of the United States House of Representatives. As chief of staff to the governor, Hicks was involved in all aspects of managing the state of Ohio for more than four years. He was responsible for significant policy and legislative issues including development of Ohio's operating and capital budgets.

Hicks has played key roles in a number of statewide candidate, judicial and issue campaigns, including both successful Ohio Bush-Cheney campaigns. During the 2004 presidential election, Hicks was a regular political commentator for an Emmy award-winning show entitled "Campaign Perspectives" on the Columbus NBC affiliate.

Hicks is a member of the board of the Ohio Water Development Authority and the board of trustees of Marburn Academy. He is a 1987 graduate of The Ohio State University, where he served as president of the Undergraduate Student Government.

Hicks resides in Dublin, Ohio, with his wife, Kathleen, and their two children, Hannah and Jacob.

John C. "Jack" Fisher, a 2006 appointee to the OSU Board of Trustees, is a native of Bucyrus, Ohio. He now lives in Columbus and serves as executive vice president of The Ohio Farm Bureau Federation, Inc., a 229,000 member state organization representing agriculture at local, state and national levels.

Mr. Fisher currently serves as a member of the boards of directors for the U.S. Feed Grains Council, U.S. Meat Export Federation, and Children's Hunger Alliance. Fisher also serves as a member of the Advisory Board for the Ohio BioProducts Innovation Center.

He holds bachelor's and master's degrees in agriculture from The Ohio State University and a master's in counseling from Ball State University. He is a member of the OSU President's Club, OSU Department of Animal Science Hall of Fame, and has been awarded the OSU College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences Distinguished Service Award.

Mr. Fisher and his wife, Judy, are the parents of three grown children.

Robert H. Schottenstein was appointed by Governor Bob Taft in 2005. He is chairman of the board, chief executive officer and president of M/I Homes, Inc., one of the largest homebuilders in the United States. Based

in Columbus, Ohio the Company also has homebuilding divisions in Cincinnati, Ohio; Indianapolis, Indiana; Chicago, Illinois; Charlotte and Raleigh, North Carolina; Tampa and Orlando, Florida; and in the Virginia and Maryland suburbs surrounding Washington, D.C. In addition, M/I Homes, Inc. provides mortgage financing through its subsidiary M/I Financial Corporation.

Since its founding in 1976, M/I Homes has sold over 72,000 homes. Over the years, M/I has established an exemplary reputation based on a strong commitment to superior customer service, quality construction and design, and premier locations. M/I's stock is publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "MHO."

From 1977 to 1990, Mr. Schottenstein was engaged in the private practice of law specializing in commercial real estate, corporate and banking transactions. He joined M/I in 1990, was named President in 1996, Chief Executive Officer in 2003, and elected Chairman of the Board in 2004. He was named the homebuilding industry "Executive of the Year" by Builder Magazine in 2008.

For many years, Mr. Schottenstein has been active in a number of business and charitable organizations. He currently serves as a board member of the Columbus Jewish Federation (served as board chair from 2002-2004), and as a board member of The Children's Hospital Foundation. Mr. Schottenstein is also a member of the High Production Home Builders Council of the National Association of Home Builders, and is a member of The Columbus Partnership.

From 1995 to 2006, Mr. Schottenstein was a Director of Huntington Bancshares, Inc., a regional national bank headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. In addition, he previously served on the Boards of Ohio Dominican University, Columbus School for Girls, Columbus Torah Academy (served as Board Chair from 1985 to 1989), Ballet Met of Columbus, and was a member of the United Jewish Appeal National Young Leadership Cabinet. In 1987, Mr. Schottenstein received the Columbus Jewish Federation "Young Leadership Award" and in 2002, he received the Central Ohio Building Industry Association "Builder of the Year Award."

Robert H. Schottenstein has an undergraduate degree from Indiana University and a law degree from Capital University Law School. He is married to Jeri Block, has four children, and resides in Jefferson Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

Alan W. Brass, of Toledo, Ohio, was appointed as a member of the OSU board of trustees in 2006. His career spans over three decades in healthcare and has predominantly been associated with large multi-hospital systems and with major academic centers. Mr. Brass is chief executive officer for ProMedica Health System in Toledo. ProMedica is one of the largest and fastest growing healthcare systems in the Midwest.

Prior to joining ProMedica, Alan Brass served as the executive vice president and chief operating officer for the BJC Health System. In this position, he oversaw the operation of the System's 50-member merged and affiliated hospitals and six long-term care facilities. He assumed operational responsibility on a system-wide basis. In addition to his responsibilities within BJC, Mr. Brass was also president of Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

Mr. Brass has held administrative positions with Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio; served as director of Operations at the University of Michigan Medical Center; and was administrator of Children's, Women's and Holden Perinatal Hospitals in Ann Arbor. He earned a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from Youngstown State University, and a master's degree in hospital and health services administration and finance from The Ohio State University.

He currently serves as a board member of the Ohio Hospital Association - System CEO Advisory Council and The Toledo Symphony, Advisory Board Member. He is a member of American Hospital Association; Amer-

ican College of Healthcare Executives; Children's Hospital Executive Committee; Council of Retired Directors for Children's Miracle Network; Health Management Academy - CEO Forum Health System; National Association Children's Hospitals & Related Institutions (NACHRI); Ohio Children's Hospital Association and Michigan Hospital Association. Mr. Brass is also a faculty member at Ohio State University, St. Louis University, and Washington University.

Mr. Brass lives in Toledo and has two sons, Mark and Glen.

Algenon L. Marbley, of Columbus, was appointed as a member of the OSU board of trustees by Governor Strickland to serve a nine-year term. In 1997, he was appointed by President Clinton as a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio. Prior to his appointment, he was a partner with the Columbus, Ohio office of the law firm of Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, where he specialized in civil litigation with an emphasis on business litigation, product liability litigation, and employment litigation. Before joining Vorys, Judge Marbley was an assistant general counsel in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and had previously been an associate in the Chicago law firm of Montgomery and Holland.

Judge Marbley serves on the boards of Nationwide Children's Hospital, Inc., the John Glenn School of Public Affairs, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Performing & Cultural Arts Complex, is chairman of the board of directors of the K.I.P.P. (Knowledge is Power Program) Central Ohio Charter School, and is a member of the board of directors of the African-American Leadership Academy.

He is an adjunct professor of Trial Advocacy at The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and at the Harvard University Law School. He earned his bachelor of arts degree from the University of North Carolina and a juris doctor degree from Northwestern University. He also received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Capital University Law School.

Judge Marbley and his wife, Janet, and their two sons live in Columbus.

Ronald A. Ratner, from Cleveland, was appointed by Governor Ted Strickland, for a term of 11/30/2007-5/13/2015. Mr. Ratner currently holds the position of Executive Vice President and Director of Forest City Enterprises, Inc. In addition, he is President of Forest City Residential Group which comprises all of the multifamily residential ownership, development, management and financial activities of Forest City Enterprises.

Mr. Ratner's experience with Forest City began in 1975 and has included direct development, construction, financing and management responsibilities, beginning with individual projects and executive supervision of multiple large scale developments on a national level. He has had direct responsibility for over 40,000 residential units in 15 States.

He received his Bachelor's Degree from Brandeis University and completed the Masters Program in Architecture at UCLA.

Mr. Ratner is active in community and civic organizations and has served or is currently serving on the boards of Brandeis University, Park Synagogue and the Western Reserve Historical Society among others. He is also a member of the International Advisory Board for the Harvard Real Estate Initiative and Harvard Design Magazine's Practitioners' Advisory Board. He is a member of the Urban Land Institute and a Director of the National Multi Housing Council, and has served as a member of FNMA's National Housing Impact Advisory Council.

Debra J. Van Camp, from Lancaster, was appointed as a student trustee, by Governor Strickland for a two-year term beginning 5/31/2007. Debra is a graduate of Canal Winchester High School, and is currently pursu-

ing a B.S. in food science and nutrition with a minor in agricultural business at The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences. Debra serves on the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Agricultural Affairs Committee.

Upon enrolling at Ohio State in 2005, Debra became the first Fairfield County recipient of the Land Grant Opportunity Scholarship. During her time at Ohio State she has become involved in undergraduate research and participated in a five week study abroad to the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Science in Beijing, China. Debra has also worked as a student assistant in the Food Science Lab and with the Economic Access Initiative. Debra strongly believes that improving college access is crucial to helping the University reach its long-term goals and to developing a stronger State economy. As part of her work with the Access Initiative, she has created a Student Board of Directors to serve as the "student voice" of the office. Debra is also very active in Undergraduate Student Government, and was elected as a senator to represent students living off-campus during her junior year.

Debra plans to continue to pursue her passion of food science and agriculture in graduate school and hopes to pursue a career that will allow her to apply knowledge of food science and agricultural economics to continually improving food safety and quality.

Debra is the daughter of Pamela Van Camp of Marysville and Robert Van Camp of Groveport.

Jason W. Marion, from Batavia, was appointed as the graduate/professional student trustee, by Governor Strickland in 2008. Mr. Marion is a graduate of Amelia High School and Hocking College. He is also a two-time graduate of Morehead State University, where he received a BS in Environmental Science and an MS in Biology. He is currently pursuing a PhD in Public Health with a focus in Environmental Health Sciences and Epidemiology at The Ohio State University College of Public Health.

During his time at Morehead State, Mr. Marion served two terms as president of the Student Government Association and two terms as student regent on the university's Board of Regents. During that time he was very involved in ensuring that Kentucky's education system remained affordable without sacrificing quality as the head of the Kentucky Board of Student Body Presidents. His extracurricular activities at Morehead included being a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon and being a co-organizer and trip leader for the Alternative Spring Break trip, Spring Break-Spring Back, which served hurricane ravaged families in Gulfport, Mississippi. Mr. Marion was recognized for outstanding academic performance at Morehead earning top honors as an undergraduate in Environmental Science and top honors as a graduate student in Biology and Regional Analysis.

Mr. Marion's graduate student involvements at The Ohio State University have included the Athletic Council, Government Affairs Committee and the Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum Committee. He is currently serving as president of the Council of Graduate Students.

Mr. Marion has been actively involved in natural resources and environmental management with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the USEPA since 1999. He plans to continue his pursuits in environmental research with an interest in protecting water quality for public health.

Mr. Marion is the son of Ron and Patricia Marion of Batavia, Ohio.

[DEPARTMENT OF] athletics



»» The varsity program is respected as one of the most comprehensive in all of college athletics and is 36 sports strong – 16 for men, 17 for women and three coed. The department operates on a budget in excess of \$90 million. Each year, Ohio State teams claim numerous Big Ten championships, compete in NCAA tournaments and vie for national titles while producing countless individual conference and national champions, All-America performers and scholar-athletes.

Ohio State's Department of Athletics is under the direction of Eugene Smith. Just the eighth athletics director in Ohio State history, Smith has developed a vision that will keep the Buckeyes among the nation's elite in the 21st century.

Ohio State is recognized across the country as a leader in collegiate athletics. More than 900 student-athletes participated in 2006-07.

With rich tradition as a foundation and with state-of-the-art facilities, such as Bill Davis Stadium, Value City Arena at the Jerome Schottenstein Center, Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium, the Younkin Success Center and Ohio Stadium, the Buckeyes' outlook for the future appears even brighter than their glorious past

»» WHAT IS A BUCKEYE?

A small, shiny, dark brown nut with a light tan patch that comes from the official state tree of Ohio, the buckeye tree.

According to folklore, the Buckeye resembles the eye of a deer and carrying one brings good luck. "Buckeyes" has been the official Ohio State nickname since 1950, but it had been in common use for many years before.

The first recorded use of the term Buckeye to refer to a resident of the area was in 1788, some 15 years before Ohio became a state. Col. Ebenezer Sproat, a 6-foot-4-inch man of large girth and swashbuckling mannerisms, led the legal delegation at the first court session of the Northwest Territory in Marietta. The Indians in attendance greeted him with shouts of "Hetuck, Hetuck" (the Indian word for buckeye), it is said because they were impressed by his stature and manner. He proudly carried the Buckeye nickname for the rest of his life and it gradually spread to his companions and other local settlers. By the 1830s, writers were commonly referring to locals as "Buckeyes."

»» ohio state legends



eddie george
[football]



stephanie hightower
[women's track & field]



jack nicklaus
[golf]

recent stars

Raj Bhasvar (men's gymnastics), Greg Bice (men's lacrosse), Mike Conley Jr. (men's basketball), Justin Cook (men's soccer), Kristy Dascoli (women's tennis), Jessica Davenport (women's basketball), Laura Davis (women's volleyball), Stacey Gordon (women's volleyball), Lisa Grubb (women's soccer), Allison Hanna (women's golf), A.J. Hawk (football), Jamee Juarez (softball), Anthony Kelly (men's lacrosse), Ryan Kesler (men's hockey), Lindsay Knowlton (women's golf), Abhijeet Konduskar (rifle), Emma Laaksonen (women's ice hockey), Marisa Main (women's volleyball)

>> MEN'S SPORTS (16)

Baseball
Basketball
Cross Country
Diving
Football
Golf
Gymnastics
Hockey
Lacrosse
Soccer
Swimming
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Volleyball
Wrestling



AS A DEPARTMENT, OHIO STATE HAS WON **/58/** NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND **/182/** BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

>> WOMEN'S SPORTS (17)

Basketball
Cross Country
Diving
Field Hockey
Golf
Gymnastics
Hockey
Lacrosse
Rowing
Soccer
Softball
Swimming
Synchronized Swimming
Tennis
Indoor Track and Field
Outdoor Track and Field
Volleyball



>> COED SPORTS (3)

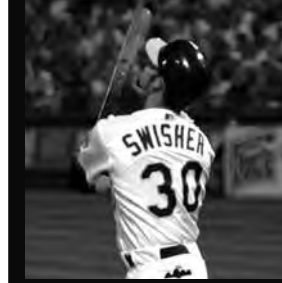
Fencing
Rifle
Pistol



jesse owens
[men's track & field]



katie smith
[women's basketball]



nick swisher
[baseball]

Daniel Matthews (men's volleyball), Colin McMillan (men's volleyball), Chip Mardis (pistol), Megan Mirick (women's lacrosse), Carolina Moraes (synchronized swimming), Isabela Moraes (synchronized swimming), Saskia Mueller (field hockey), Greg Oden (men's basketball), Regina Oliver (women's lacrosse), Peter Olree (men's volleyball), Michael Redd (men's basketball), Mitch Richeson (men's diving), Tommy Rowlands (wrestling), Troy Smith (football), Nick Swisher (baseball), Dan Taylor (men's track and field), Jennifer Trickett (pistol), R.J. Umberger (men's hockey)

[BENCHMARK] facilities

»» BILL DAVIS STADIUM

The 4,450-seat Bill Davis Stadium has been the site of two NCAA Super Regionals (1999, 2003).

BUCKEYE FIELD

Home to Ohio State softball, Buckeye Field is undergoing a \$5.1 million renovation that will be complete in time for the 2008 season and give Ohio State one of the finest softball stadiums in the nation.

FRENCH FIELD HOUSE

French Field House plays host to indoor track and field and is the winter practice site for other sports.

GRIGGS RESERVOIR

All home regattas are held at the Griggs Reservoir on the Scioto River, which also serves as the main practice site.

LT. HUGH W. WYLIE RANGE

OSU's rifle range is a 20 point range set for 50-foot and 10-meter shooting for both the rifle and pistol teams.

JESSE OWENS WEST TENNIS CENTER

The tennis teams' indoor practice venue is Jesse Owens West Tennis Center.

JESSE OWENS MEMORIAL STADIUM

The 10,000-seat Jesse Owens Memorial Stadium arguably is one of the finest multi-sport facilities in the country, hosting track and field and lacrosse in the spring and soccer in the fall.

BILL AND MAE MCCORKLE AQUATIC PAVILION

Beginning in 2005-06, Ohio State's swimming, diving and synchronized swimming teams moved into their new home, the McCorkle Aquatic Pavilion, which features a 50-meter competition pool, spectator seating and a world-class diving facility.

NORTH TURF FIELD

Adjacent to the Woody Hayes Athletic Center, North Turf Field is home to the field hockey team.

OHIO STADIUM

Built in 1922, the Ohio Stadium renovation was completed in 2002, bringing its capacity to 102,329. Artificial turf was laid for the 2007 season and remains there today.

OHIO STATE GOLF COURSES

Two courses, the Scarlet and the Gray, are located near the campus. Scarlet was renovated by former Buckeye great Jack Nicklaus in 2006. Scarlet has hosted 13 NCAA championships, including the 2006 women's tournament.

OSU ICE RINK

Constructed in 1961, OSU Ice Rink serves as the home of the women's hockey Buckeyes. Extensive renovations were completed in 2004.

STEELWOOD ATHLETIC TRAINING FACILITY

Completed in 2002, Steelwood Athletic Training Facility boasts 23,200-square feet of spacious and accommodating practice facilities and training rooms for fencing, gymnastics and wrestling.

STICKNEY TENNIS CENTER

Ohio State's home outdoor tennis matches are held at the newly resurfaced Stickney Tennis Center.

ST. JOHN ARENA

Formerly the home of Ohio State basketball for 42 seasons, St. John Arena now is the permanent venue to the fencing, gymnastics, volleyball and wrestling teams. Special events also take place in the 13,276-seat arena.

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY INDOOR TENNIS CENTER

The new home of Ohio State tennis will open in November 2007. It will contain six indoor tennis courts, locker rooms, concession stands, meeting rooms and elevated spectator seating.

VALUE CITY ARENA

The home of the men's and women's basketball teams as well as men's ice hockey, the \$115 million multipurpose facility also hosts a wide variety of special events, concerts, family shows and touring productions.

WOODY HAYES ATHLETIC CENTER

Dedicated in November of 1987, the WHAC is one of the most extensive indoor facilities of its kind. The WHAC underwent a \$20 million renovation during the 2006-07 season and is now state-of-the-art and operational.





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(10-1-2007 - present)

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(Interim, 7-1-2007 to 9-30-2007)

Karen A. Holbrook

(10-1-2002 to 6-30-07)

Edward Harrington Jennings

(Interim, 7-1-2002 to 9-30-2002)

William English Kirwan

(7-1-1998 to 6-30-2002)

John Richard Sisson

(Acting, 1-1-1998 to 6-30-1998)

E. Gordon Gee

(9-1-1990 to 12-31-1997)

Edward Harrington Jennings

(9-1-1981 to 8-31-1990)

Harold Leroy Enarson

(9-1-1972 to 8-31-1981)

Novice Gail Fawcett

(8-1-1956 to 8-31-1972)

Howard Landis Bevis

(2-1-1940 to 7-31-1956)

William McPherson

(Acting, 7-1-1938 to 3-1-1940)

George Washington Rightmire

(1926 to 1938)

William Oxley Thompson

(1899 to 1925)

James Hulme Canfield

(1895 to 1899)

William Henry Scott

(1883 to 1895)

Walter Quincy Scott

(1881 to 1883)

Edward Orton Sr.

(1873 to 1881)

Gordon Gee, among the most highly experienced university presidents in the nation, returned last year to The Ohio State University after having served as Chancellor of Vanderbilt University for seven years. Prior to that, he was president of Brown University (1998-2000), Ohio State (1990-97), the University of Colorado (1985-90) and West Virginia University (1981-85) during the course of his 34 years in higher education.

Born in Vernal, Utah, Gee graduated from the University of Utah with an honors degree in history and earned his J.D. and Ed.D degrees from Columbia University. He clerked under Chief Judge David T. Lewis of the U.S. 10th Circuit Court of Appeals before being named a judicial fellow and staff assistant to the U.S. Supreme Court, where he worked for Chief Justice Warren Burger on administrative and legal problems of the Court and federal judiciary. Gee returned to Utah as an associate professor and associate dean in the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University, eventually achieving the rank of full professor. In 1979 he was named dean of the West Virginia University Law School, and in 1981 was appointed to that university's presidency.

Active in a number of national professional and service organizations, Gee served as a Trustee for the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation and as chairman of the Kellogg Commission on the Future of State and Land Grant

Universities. He is a member of the National Commission on Writing for America's Families, Schools, and Colleges, founded by the College Board to improve the teaching and learning of writing. He also serves on the NCAA Presidential Taskforce on the Future of Intercollegiate Athletics.

Gee is a member of the Board of Governors of the National Hospice Foundation, the Advisory Board of the Christopher Isherwood Foundation and the Board of Trustees of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation, an independent Federal government agency established to "encourage and support research, study and labor designed to produce new discoveries in all fields of endeavor for the benefit of mankind." He also is a member of the Business-Higher Education Forum.

Gee has received a number of honorary degrees, awards, and recognitions. He was a Mellon Fellow for the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies and a W.K. Kellogg Fellow. In 1994, he received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Utah as well as from Teachers College of Columbia University. He is the co-author of eight books and the author of numerous papers and articles on law and education.

Gee's daughter, Rebekah, is a physician and Robert Wood Johnson Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania Medical School.





[DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS] eugene smith

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Gene Smith is in his fourth year as director of athletics at The Ohio State University. He was named to his current position on March 5, 2005. He is the eighth person to hold the position at Ohio State and the first African-American to do so. Smith previously served as director of athletics at Arizona State, Iowa State, and Eastern Michigan Universities, and is entering his 24th year in the role.

At Ohio State, the 52-year old Smith oversees one of the nation's largest and most successful college athletic programs. The Buckeyes have 36 fully funded varsity sports and nearly 900 student-athletes. The department of athletics is completely self supporting and receives no university funds, tax dollars or student fees. In fiscal year 2008-2009, the department will contribute nearly \$26 million in assessments to the university, including more than \$13 million in grant-in-aid reimbursement. In Smith's first three years at Ohio State, the department of athletics finished in the black financially and increased its reserve fund.

Upon arriving at Ohio State, Smith quickly established himself as a respected and thoughtful leader, both within the university and the community. In the spring of 2007, he unveiled a five-year strategic plan, reflecting the department's goals and values. The strategic planning process, inclusive of the entire department, emphasized the development of the total student-athlete.

Under Smith's leadership, The Ohio State Department of Athletics was honored in the spring of 2008 with the Diversity in Athletics Award in the category of Overall Excellence in Diversity. Smith accepted the honor at the 43rd annual National Association of College Directors of Athletics Convention in Dallas.

Shortly after Ohio State was honored as a department for its dedication to diversity, Smith was individually recognized for his contribution to the sport of football.

The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame, announced in June the recipients of the NFF's 2008 Major Awards. Smith was honored with the John L. Toner Award, presented annually, the Toner Award is given to a director of athletics who has demonstrated superior administrative abilities and shown outstanding dedication to college athletics and particularly college football.

Smith has an exemplary record of national leadership and service. In 2007, Smith served as president of the Division 1-A Athletic Directors Association. He is entering his third year on the prestigious NCAA Men's Basketball Committee. He was recently named to the newly created Basketball Academic Enhancement Group, a 27-member panel charged with developing strategies to enhance academic performance and graduation rates in Division I men's basketball.

Smith is past president of the National Association of Collegiate Directors

of Athletics (NACDA) and was that organization's first African-American president. He also has served on the NCAA Management Council, the NCAA Committee on Infractions, the NCAA Executive Committee, the NCAA Football Rules Committee, the President's Commission Liaison Committee, the NCAA Baseball Academic Enhancement Task Force, and the National Football Foundation Honors Court, among others.

In recognition of his service, Smith was named by Black Enterprise Magazine as one of the "50 Most Powerful African American in College Sports." In 2007, he was named to NACDA's inaugural "Legends Class," and was also named Athletic Administrator of the Year by the Black Coaches Association (BCA). In 2002-03, he received NACDA's AD of the Year honors for the Division 1-A West Region.

Smith grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, and attended the University of Notre Dame on a football scholarship. He played four years of football as a defensive end for the Irish and was a member of the 1973 *Associated Press* national championship team. Smith received his bachelor's degree in business administration from Notre Dame in 1977. Following graduation, he joined the Notre Dame coaching staff under Dan Devine and remained in that capacity until 1981. The 1977 Notre Dame team captured the undisputed national championship.

Smith left Notre Dame following the 1981 season to accept a marketing position with IBM. He returned to college athletics in April of 1983 as assistant athletics director at Eastern Michigan University. In 1985, he was appointed as interim director of athletics at Eastern, a position he held until 1986 when he became the director on a full-time basis.

In 1993, Smith was named director of athletics at Iowa State University. He moved to Arizona State as director of athletics in 2000.

As a former college athlete and coach, Smith is passionate about the well being of student-athletes. "We want to create an environment for our student-athletes to be successful academically, athletically and socially," he says. "The student-athlete experience provides teachable moments that prepare young women and men for success in life."

Smith is active in the Columbus community and is a member of the board of the YMCA of Central Ohio. He also is active with the Bell Center for African American males on Ohio State's campus.

Gene and his wife, Sheila, have four children: Matt, Nicole, Lindsey and Summer, and two grandchildren: Marshall and Steele. Sheila, a 1976 Canadian Olympian in basketball, holds a doctorate in Higher Education Administration and is an Associate Vice President for Development at Ohio State.



GENE SMITH

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Andy Geiger.....	1994-2005
Eugene Smith.....	2005-Present

[ATHLETICS] department staff

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